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This history covers Australian international matches from the first game 1921 until the breakaway Soccer Federation in 1957.

Northern NSW (Newcastle and the Northern Coalfields) is covered from 1884 to 2000. From 1884 until 1929 the controlling body in Northern NSW was the Northern District British Football Association (The NDBFA) incorporating the South Maitland British Football Association.

Sydney and South Coast (Wollongong & Coalfields) are covered from 1880 until 1957. From 1880 until 1928 the controlling body for soccer in Sydney and South Coast was the Southern District British Football Association (The SDBFA).

From 1928 to 1944 the controlling body was the NSW (State League) Soccer Football Association.

From 1943 to 1959 the controlling body was the NSW State Soccer Football Association.

From 1957 to the present the controlling body in Sydney area only was the Federation of Soccer Clubs.

From 1958 to 1967 the controlling body in Newcastle & Northern Coalfields was the Northern League.

From 1968 to 2000 the controlling body in Newcastle & Northern Coalfields was the Northern NSW Soccer Federation.

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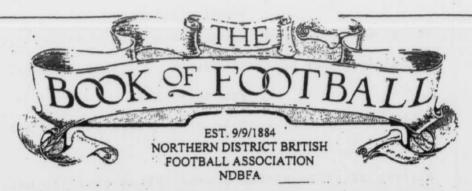
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Retrospect in time...to be precise, the 9th day September 1884.

A group of civic minded sports loving citizens met. From this humble beginning our Association with British Association Football was born, heralding over 100 years of Football sportsmanship.

The pioneering spirit of those early members, supporters, Presidents, Committees, Players, Referees, with a will to win over a period of ten decades is reflected in the standard of our community today.

This commemoration expresses our appreciation to those few who have done so much for so many.

For posterity... and by the grace of God, let their fortitude be emulate.

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I Love To Live.

Today...dear Lord, I am 80 years old and there's so much
I have not done.

I hope dear Lord you will let me live until I am 81 ?

But then, if I have not finnished all I want to do would you please let me live until I am 82.?

So many places I want to go, so many things to see, do you think that you could manage to make it 83.?

The world is changing very fast, there is so much in store, I'd like to live to 84.?

And if by then, I'm still alive, I would like to live until I'm 85.?

More planes will be up in the air, so I'd really like to stick around and see what happens to the world when I turn 86.?

I know dear Lord, it's much to ask, and it must be nice in heaven, but I would really like to stay until I am 87.?

I know by then I wont be fast, and sometimes I will be late, but I would be so pleased to be around at 88.?

I will have seen so many things, and had a wonderful time, so ... I am sure that I'll be willing to leave at the age of 89.?.? ?. MAYBE just one more thing, I'd like to say dear Lord, I thank you kindly,

"But", if its OK, with you, I would like to live past 90.??

Preface

Such a lot of books have been written about other sports in Newcastle, that I thought it was time that the true facts of "REAL FOOTBALL" should be compiled.

Others sports in Australia have been eulogised over the years and the poor footballer from the north has had to be content with terse biographies.

Whilst I claim no literary expertise for this book, it is at least an honest attempt to preserve the history of this great game.

I have, as many more have honestly spent the greater part of my life for our game.

I hope this modest account of the game and its players, officials, and Referees is enjoyed by all, and that you can recall many pleasant memories of the past "GREATS" of the years gone by.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

The game of Soccer emerged as a recognisable code of football when the laws and format of play were regulated by a small group of public school enthusiasts in Southern England, between October 26th and December 8th,1863

It developed from that style of football which can be traced through the Middle Ages and Renaissance, but it is only from around 1770, in English Public Schools, that the game took on its recognisable modern shape.

At Charterhouse Eton, Harrow, Repton, Westminster, and Winchester, the dribbling game was seen both to suit local fields of play and to fit the new educational ideas being introduced to the public schools system at this time. Drs Arnold and Butler's education tenets "Godliness and Good learning"soon became "Godliness and Manliness"(with some help from Charles KINGSLEY) and the strenous dribbling game with its emphasis on sportmanship, discipline and team loyalty, provided a vehicle for instilment of these ideas.

However, owing to the insularity of these institutions, the game developed in various forms, with each school boasting its own set of written or unwritten rules, from the mid 1840s, Indeed, the confusion which resulted over the localised nature of the game's rules prompted the drafting of the "Universal" Footballing Code in 1884, this which later became known as "Cambridge Rules" governed the increasingly popular game at Cambridge University and confirmed the pronounced drift away from the "Catch and Kill", "Catch and Run"", towards the dribbling game.

"Such matches were played regulary at Cambridge in the 1850s and, inevitably, the rules were taken to the country at large, via its gratuates. In 1855 for example, the Sheffield Club(Englands second oldest Football Club,) WAS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF OLD HARROVIANS., who persuaded local village footballers not to handle the ball;

allegedly by providing the players with white gloves and florins to clutch during the game. In 1859, Harrovians formed the Forrest Club in Essex, playing makeshift games against "ad hoc"local teams. Even then, their opponents were mostly composed of old public school boys with a very limited card of matches, Despite these initial difficulties, the game continued to permeate the country, through the good offices and enthusiam of ex public school and Cambridge men. But the development of the game remained sporadic and was clearly in need of more careful organisation and control."

This was realised in 1862, when several suburban clubs were formed around London and were seen to adopt the rules according to whom and where they were played.

On 26th October, 1863, captains and representatives from 12 clubs met at the Freemasons Tavern in Lincoln Inn Fields in order to codify rules for the regulation of the game of football. At this and other meetings held over the following six weeks, the English Football Association became established Those at these modest founding meetings could have hardly envisaged the social revolution over which the organisation was to preside, within a few short years. For the sporting bureaucracy which slowly emerged from that first National

football Authority became the framework within which football established itself as the English National Game. While soccer's codification arose largely through the efforts and enthusiasm(and early confusion)of public schools exponents the English Football Association gained in power, owing to the game's widespread acceptance by the working classes. With the introduction of the five and half day working week for industrial workers in 1840 and 50's, there became a clear need for recreational activities with which to occupy their spare time. As well, during this period, the enlightened belief became generally held that forms of physical activity were required to maintain good health, Consequently, the dribbling game rapidly gained popularity in the industrial Midlands and the north of England. Soccer's forerunner was seen as the ideal recreation for the working classes. The game, as played under the Cambridge rules, and later under the F.A.code, was distinguished by involving a minimum of rough play. It could be played virtually anywhere, from cobbled streets and courtyards to uneven commons, and invited less injury to players than other codes.

The equipment required to stage a match was well within the economic scope of the working classes; a ball, four posts or markers and (optionally) DISTINGUISHING COLOURS. For the F.A.s. establishment, clubs from the Midlands and the north of England dominated trends in playing styles

and the games English administration.

England's most durable export was soccer with global expansion occurring in the 19th and 20th centuries and

beyond.

This was largely due to the dominant econmic, military and technological sway which the British Empire held in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Within 60 years of the institutionalisation of the F.A. code, it had become the major Winter recreation in most European Central and South American countries. But while the game was seen to flourish in countries with large urban populations(eg. Europe, Central and South America) OR WITH HIGH levels of industrialisation (eg.Europe) OR IN COUNTRIES WITH A STRONG BRITISH influence(eg.Palestine and India), soccer inexplicably, languished in Britain's major "European"colonies such as Canada, South Africa, and Australia. In each of these colonial instances, a host of individual reasons may be advanced to explain why soccer did not attract a strong following, However, three factors which are common to each give a rise to a basic pattern. Firstly, the socio economic conditions under which soccer's popularity grew elsewhere were absent. None of these colonies had large urban centres or significant levels of industrialiasation until around the turn of the century when in each case, the soccer presence began to be felt. Secondly the national and nationalistic aspirations in these colonies did not totally concur with those of the British.

In Canada, there was a large French speaking population, in South Africa, there were Dutch(Afrikaners) and in Australia, there were Irish; all whom, for reasons generally known, had cause to resist British influences.

Concomitant with national and nationalistic aspirations as major factors in soccer's slow introduction to these colonies, was the "pioneering spirit." By the late 1880's soccer was seen as a mass recreation whose support came largely from urban/industrial centres hardly a game to attract great interest in colonies requiring the settlement of hugh tracts of land. The third factor which is common to the three colonies is the "adverse" climatic and geographic conditions. The blistering sun in Australia and South Africa, the freezing conditions in Canada and wide open spaces which prevail in all three, most probably induced people to participate in more localised recreations. Equally, the relative isolation of these colonies from world centres (Which at the time were virtually all in Europe), provided another barrier to soccer's widespread introduction.

Taking these three factors into consideration, it would seem surprising that soccer became established in any of these British colonies. But ,as the conditions for soccer's introduction gradually became present(mainly in the last decade of the 19th century), the game took hold. In Australia as in Canada, South Africa and New Zealand, it was mainly English and Scottish migrants arriving in the 1880s and the 1890s who established the sport of soccer. In New South Wales and Victoria, games of soccer played on an informal basis(usually between neighbouring towns and districts) had been seen as early as 1873, although it was not until the early part of 1880 that games between clubs became organised. In New South Wales, the colony's first club The Wanderers, was formed by a group of Englishmen. An Association soon had six teams competing, later five clubs emerged to form an Association in Victoria. Queensland's first club was the Rangers. In the North (Newcastle), a group of Scottish miners formed the famous Minmi Rangers in 1884.

The Minmi Rangers were soon followed by Hamilton, Lambton Thistles, Burwood United, Carrington Blackwatch, Wallsend Rovers etc etc (see local history.)

HISTORY OF FOOTBALL IN NEW SOUTH WALES

1880-INTRODUCTION

Records show that an English Schoolmaster Mr.J.W.Fletcher arrived in Sydney town in the latter months of 1875.

On Tuesday 3rd August 1880 as a result of letters to the Editor of the Sydney Morning Herald in July of this year Mr Fletcher in conjuction with messrs A.P.Savage, M.Barlow, J.A.Todd, W.J.Baker, C.E.Hewlett, C.P.Stephens and Mr.A.Gibb

and others held a public meeting at Aarons Exchange Hotel with the view of starting Football according to the English Associstion Rules.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD. Sir, -If you will allow me, I wish to suggest through your columns that some move might be taken to form a club or association to play football according to the rules of the English Association. This game is played in Scotland, also where it is immensally popular and I am sure, once introduced, the dribbling game would be equally so here. I have played at home, and would gladly subscribe to the membership of any club willing to play our grand game. I think it possible also, that there are many old hands, may-hap a "Queen's Park" man, or a "wanderer," who would take a pleasure in promoting such a club in Sandar. take a pleasure in promoting such a club in Sydney; and, although I cannot again become a playing man, I would form one in any team for a show-match, and otherwise form one in any team for a smooth fif a clab were assist to put the young Australians right (if a clab were formed) until they could walk alone. I am, &c.
Sydney, July 12. HALF-BACK...

FOOTBALL.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I read with much interest Mr. J. H. Flothler's letter in your issue of the 17th instant, and Leannot but express my extreme repret that the Clubs seconding or desiring in second from the "Bugby Union," did not establish the new Association under the auspices and rules of the Football Association of Great Britain. In conjunction with several members of the Union, I should have been glad to assist in any way in the formation of an Association on such a basis, but I cannot agree to should have been glad to assist in any way in the formation of an Association on such a basis, but I cannot agree to I femer the Estird game now played in Victoria. The absociation of side is, in my opinion, by the encouragement it affords to sneaking, utterly subversive of one of the best principles of good old English sports. If the Victorian is to superseds the Rugby game, then good the Victorian is to superseds the Rugby game, then good the English Football Association of Rugby Union would sever consent to play under such sides a those in organing the neighbouring colony. I am Sir, yours, &c.—Sydner, 20th Fully

To the Editor of the Herald. July. 14.1880. Sir. Seeing a letter in your paper today from a football player signing himself "Half Back"I quite agree with him that if a move was made to start the Association game here, it would become eventually more popular than the Rugby game. As there are several good association players in the Wallaroo Club(Rugby), and there must be more about town.

I think if a meeting was conveened a show match might be arranged. I for one would be happy to endeavour to introduce the game myself.

Yours. "Righr Wing".

THE GAME OF FOOTBALL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Some two or three years ago you were kind enough to publish some letters of mine on the above subject, and ticularly with regard to the introduction of the Association rulce as played in England and Scotland, and I ventured to express my belief that, were the subject well followed up, it would be productive of some good towards establishing a distinct code of rules other than those at prosent in vogue in New South Wales, i.e.—the Rugby Union. The subject was not well followed up—in fact, it was not followed up at all; and I gat me away abashed, resolving to hold my tongue in future. However, as the subject has once more cropped up, I must ask your favour to allow me, through your paper, to add a word or two in favour of the English Association game. In doing this, I have no intention of interfering with the Rugby Union game, as, being an old Rugby Union player myself, I can quite appreciate the fact that the Rugby Union rules can and do hold their own have, as elsewhere where they are played; but I faim the attention and support of Rugby Union players in introducing the English Association game in preference to the Victorian Association one, insumuch as the former stands purely on its own ground, and with the exception of the golden rules of off and on side, bears no resemblance to the Rugby Union game, while the latter is a hybrid affair, neither fish, fiesh, fowl, nor good red-herring, either to the Rugby Union or English Association player, and which, if successfully introduced, would utterly destroy the national characteristic of the game of football in Australia.

"I eather Stocking." in his review of the game of football, in your Saturday's issue, has gone into the subject freely, and faily, and his suggestion, that the English Association rules should be tried, ought to meet with the support of all who are interested in football matters; and no doubt the meeting advertised to take place at the Exchange on Tuesday next will be well attended.

Of the popularity of the Association rules in England and Scotland there can be very little doubt, as the majority of the leading football clubs enrol players of either the Rugby-Union or Association games under their colours; and at the International Match played at Glasgow in March, 1876 (in which, though a colonial, I had the honour of playing for England, and getting jolly well threshed in the bargain), despite the rain falling in torrents at intervals and the ground being half under water, there could not have been less than 40,000 speciators on and around the ground. The rules (which I append) are simple and easily acquired, and I feel certain, if once fairly introduced will make a very favourable impression on the football players and supportural in New South Wales. Apologising for the length of this I beg to enclose my card, and remain yours, &c., NOVICE UCIAN.

Sir, -I was glad to see in your issue of this morning a latter advocating the introduction of the English Association game into New South Wales, and I am a little surprised that some old English player has not made the project that some old English player has not make the suggestion before. I have reason to think from conversations I have had on the subject that if the game could, properly be started it would become very popular, not only with players, but with the public. Unfortunately, a very general missipprehension appears to exist as to the nature of the country of the coun general misapprenension appears to exist as to the nature of the game, a great many people I have spoken to evidently confusing—it—with—the—victorian Association game, whereas the two games have not a single point in common. As to its chances of popularity, let any one read in Bell's Life the accounts of International or club contests in Glasgow, Shaffeld, London, &c., winessed often by from 10,000 to 12,000 spectators.—It is, I think, about wear and all the game was first started. I think, about twelve years sints the game was first started in England, though its principle, that footbalkis a game for feet and for hands, had long existed in the Pton and Harrow games. - At the present time the football players of From games. At the present time the football players of Great Britain, playing under Rugby and Association rules, are about equally divided; and the two games exist side by side without one interfering in the least with the other, save that of lare the value of good dribbling has become, universally admowledged in the Rugby game. I feel that we are rather late in writing in advocacy of the Rugby has been gamed that we are rather late in writing in advocacy of the Rugby game. that we are rather late in writing in advocacy of the English Association game, inastruch as a large section of the football players of New South Wales Missociation of the football players of New South Wales Missociation of the supply rules, appear to have committed them selves to the adoption of Victorian rules. Nevertheless, there must be many-old-English and Scotch Association players, or old-Eton and Harrow men, who would be glad to see their old game played here, and who would make an after to introduce it; and I am quite sure that the principle of the game, which forbids the use of the hands, except by collecter, and does away with scrummaging, collaring, conference, and does away with scrummaging, collaring, manking, ch., will commend itself to a very large section of this community. The game is essentially a scientific one, requiring, above everything else, unselfsh and organized combination. I do not wish a strate the old Rugby game, which, properly played, is intreasting and explains to players and speciators; but I important a protest against the introduction of the View must enter a protest against the introduction of the Victorian game, which, though certainly interesting and amusing to bok at is. I believe mugher than the Bugby, and violates the fundamental principle of all games like football. I mean the law of on side. The very thing condemned under the name of "meating" in the litting game is her smootbaged and applanded and in fact may almost be said to be the chief art of the game. In the brief space of a learn it is impossible to say all that one would in behalf of the introduction of the rules of the English Association; but I have that since at the present time a indical change. must enter a protest against the introduction of the Vicbut I hope that, since at the present time a radical change is demanded in the present code, football players and the public generally will give the matter a more thorough investigation than it has yet received before committing the same to the Victorian game. I should be willing to communicate with gentlemen willing to assist in surring a club under the rules of the English Association, and perhaps it might be possible to convene a meeting to consider the whole question. I am, &c.,

Union Club, July 14.

J. W. FLETCHER.

Letter to the Editor of the Sydney Morning Herald.

Mr. Todd also supported the introduction of the English Association game. He had had a few years ferperience of the game at home, and he never found that it was anything but a manly and very interesting game. The rules were very simple, so that every one could understand them; and one great point in favour of the game was its want of apparent roughness. He said apparent roughness because he did not see any danger in one game more than another. In his experience he never found the Association game interfere with the Rugby game, but there were many players who could not play the Rugby game, and this Association game would fill a gap which at present aristed. The advocates of Rugby football need fear nothing but a very healthy rivalry. Rugby players would probably have the fone and muscle, while the Association players would develop superior smartness and agility, and bring out the prettier points in the game of football. The game would be found a very manly and dermous one, and one which would require more captainship and discipline than the Rugby game, and, although that football under English Association between the captainship and discipline than the Rugby game, and, although that football under English Association between the captainship and discipline than the Rugby game, and, although that football under English Association and appropriate that the control of the captainship and discipline than the Rugby game, and although that football under English Association are captained as the control of the captain that the control of the captain the captain that the control of the captain that the captain that

Mr. R. Annold said that, as far as he was concerned, as an old Ringby Union player, he should be very glad indeed to welcome the Association game into New South Wales, and thought it was a great pity it had not been started long ago. He was unfortunate in not having seen the game, but he had certainly seen plenty of Association play in Rugby Union matches, and was certain there was nothing that would improve the forward play in Rugby matches more than by getting players to practice the Association game. He feared it was too late in the season to do much now; but he certainly hoped that old Association players who might be willing to instruct others would take up this imamer next season, and either try to start clubs under the banner of the Association, or also persuade the Rugby Union clubs to also play under Association rules that was to say that they could send one team into the field under Rugby rules and another under Association rules. He thought this was done in England, and it might be done here. In London there were several clubs playing under her heads that would be the better plan to act upon. They might give countenance to the English Association game, and when it got stronger the players in New South Wales, that berhaps that would be the better plan to act upon. They might give countenance to the English Association game, and when it got stronger the players might drop on from the principal plant and form clubs of their own. (Applause).

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Mr. Wriss seconded the motion, which, after further discussion, was agreed to. Means, Evrage, Hawlett, Baher, Barlow, and Todd were appointed a committee to carry out the object; and Mr. J. W. Fletcher screpted the post of home sensitive. The meeting terminated with a your of thanks to the chairman.

FOOTBILL UNDER ENGLISH ASSOCIATION BULES.—A meeting convened by Messra J. W. Fistelier and J. A. Todd will take place this evening, at Aron's Exchange Hotel, "to consider and promote the introduction of football, under English Association rules." All football players and others who may be interested in the improvement of the winter pastime are invited to attend.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

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Forcall Club under Envish Association where held on the persons being present. Mr. M. Burkitt occupied the chair, and, after explaining the object for which the median many played, provided the game was texted on in a proper many spirit, was seen to of support. It was successful forms ago that it would be well to shart football under English Association rules, but many of those who preferred that game thought that such a movement would be rather premature, and that football at that time had not prospered sufficiently in the colony to justify the introduction of the Association game; but, probably, the time had now arrived when it could be established successfully. At any rate, it would do good to the Rugby Union game by improving the forward play. A great deal had been said about the Rugby game; and a great outer had been made against scrimmages. He must say, that the old form of scrimmages was very dear to him. It had been said that there was no still required in these scrimmages, but he thought that when a player put the ball down with ten trusty opponents standing shoulder to shoulder in front of him, and got it through, it required no limb skill, and there was no pleasanter feeling than that which attended the successful effort in this part of the Rugby game.

Mr. J. W. Flercher mid that as the game had been in a somewhat unsertain sense for some time, and a movement

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had been started in favour of making a change at
least in one direction, it seemed to him, and to some others,
more advisable that it should be in the direction of the good old game which was played in England side by side with the Hugby, rather than the game which was known here as the Victorian. He had received several letters promising the Victorian. He had received several letters promising support from gentlemen in Sydney, and also in the country, and he had called the present meeting to consider the proposal and then, if possible, take steps towards forming a club to play football under English Association rules. The basis of the game was that it was played emirally with the feet, and was football pure and simple. It was started in England some twelve years ago, and spread by degrees over the whole of England, Scotland, and, he believed also Ireland and Wales; and the fact maked by a writer in that dar's Hould, that in 1878 to 1000 specimens assembled at Glasgow, on a wet day, to winess an international match, spoke volumes as to its popularity. The great beauty of the game as far as the specimers were concerned was that it was fast from beginning to end: there was no stoppage, and it did not consist wholly specialter; were conceined was, that it was fast from beginning to end: there was no shoppage, and it did not consist wholly of forward play, but gave an ancellent field for the bacin to show their powers of kinning. Although he at one time thought the loss of drop riching a disadvantage, after he had played the Association game for some time, he found there was more pleasure to be derived from timing the ball, either on the half volley, full pitch, or on the hop; and it certainly brought into play, destinon, quickness, and readiness, of resource. Another—thing in favour of the English Association game was that it need not interfere in the smallest degree with the Engby game, and indeed a Rugby player, by playing the Association game, could maintailly assist his own. But there were a great many players who, although they played the Engby game, did so because they had no other. They must have some energies, and preferred football, and therefore they played the Engby game; but if any other game were started, he was sure they would find it far more suitable to their tastes than that at present played. There were a great many people who did present played. There were a great many people who did not go to see football because it was too rough, but a game like the English Association need of end nobody. It was a fast, exciting; and interesting game, and everyone—even the most tender-hearted—could enjoy in

To the editor of the Herald.

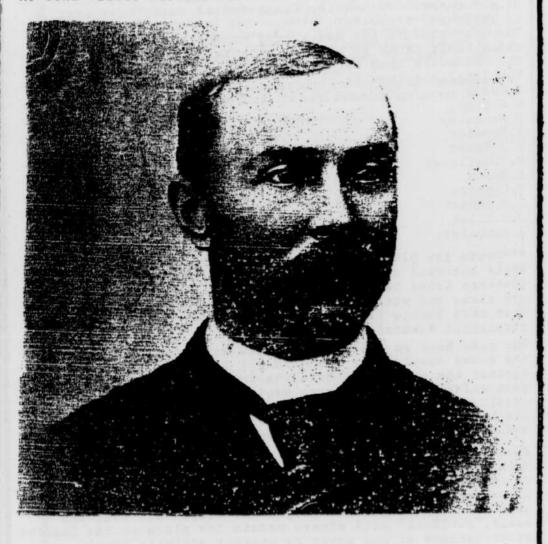
Sin-Lam an English Association man, and having played that game for many years at home I am naturally bissed in favour of its rules. Still, I am not a bigot, and I am very willing to give way to better rules if they can be found.

Many years ago a close friend of mins was mainly instrumental in introducing the Association rules in Scotland, and became the first president of the since famous Queen's Park Club of Glasgow. The downight prejudice against us was awful, and for a long time we ware solus in our preference for the "new rules;" but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that a secondary but within eight years the largest ward that are said, by the Press, to be present. Mind you, this on a Scotlish whiter thy. I have been present at private club matches and cup tie contests, where six to ten thousand persons were collockers, and I may say, all understood and appreciated the play. I have therefore very good ground for believing that, once introduced and understood, the Association game would rapidly become as popular in New South Wales as ever it did at home. The rules are simple, and, as much depends upon captainship and discipline; the game becomes, when the sides are equal, an exciting and accentific struggle for supremacy, while the vast concourses I have above alluded to steak for the interest oblicokers entertain for the play. I approximate the letters of Messra. Fletcher and Weiss. To my thinking, they show how necessary is some change in the present play.

I have no wish to run the Rugby Union, or any other rules off the field, but I have a great longing to see my old game at least tried. I am, JAMES A TODD.

HISTORY OF FOOTBALL IN NEW SOUTH WALES. 1880 - INTRODUCTION.

Records show that an English Schoolmaster Mr.John Walter Fletcher arrived in Sydney town about 1875.
On Tuesday 3rd August 1880 as a result of a number of letters to the Editor of the Sydney Morning Herald in July of 1880, Mr Fletcher in conjunction with messrs A.P.Savage, M.Barlow, J.A.Todd, W.J.Baker, C.E.Hewlett, C.P.Stephens, Mr.A.Gibb and others held a public meeting Arrons Exchange Hotel with the view of starting Football according to the English Association rules.
Mr Fletcher was born London 11th day of May 1847, he went to Cheltenham College.was a Bachelor of Arts.
He established a Boys College at Coreen, and later became a Police Magistrate at Wilcannia in 1899.
Mr John Walter Fletcher Born 11-5-1847- 28-2-1918.



Wasting no time after the formation, the newly elected Secretary, Mr. James Walter Fletcher, quickly arranged a social match for friday, 13th August. 1880 with the Headmaster of Kings School, The Rev. George Fairfowl MacArthur. The result of this match matters little, "but what was to follow in the coming years is vital" The Wanderers won the match 5x0 and for the record, the Wanderers team consisted of: J.A. Todd (Capt) Glasgow) W.J.Baker (Maidenhead) J.W.Fletcher(Pembroke College Oxford) C.E. Hewlett (Harrow & Magdalene College Oxford) W.Robertson(Glasgow) C.P.Fletcher(Sheffield) Mr. Westingate (Sheffield) W. Chapman (Sheffield) C.P.Stephens(sydney) D. Raburg (Sydney) W.Simpson(Sydney) J.Scott(Sydney) Mr.A.P.Savage coached the Kings School whose team list is no longer available. The next club formed was a team from St. Pauls of Redfern which would later be called "Arcadians". The Wanderers then defeated the Arcadians 2x0. The Arcadians team being. W. North G. Thorne, J. Macaulay H. Paynton W.J.Baker R.M.Galloway H. Brown T.Coghlan H.H.Jones J.J.Allen A. Macaulay.

***Would you please note that the Wanderers played in all White buttoned up shirts with collars, Cap, with a Southern Cross badge, blue stockings, boots of all shapes and sizes and white trousers of ankle length. From this humble beginning, "FOOTBALL" has developed throughout Australia.

Our game here in Australia has had many ups and down; the downs mostly have been brought by people prejudiced against the round ball code, there is no doubt that our game suffered from the very beginning in Australia, as a result of the arrival of so many "Captive Settlers", who had suffered at the hands of British Imperialism and this was to continue for many many years.

However, there has also always been men of enthusiasm, backed by administrators of undoubted ability to carry on the good work, making available for Australian youths, a form of manly excerise in a game that calls for stamina, self restraint and quick judgement. Played all over the world, "FOOTBALL" will always retain its place as the leading sport, because of its power to attract athletic youth desirous of gaining distinction by being included in a true "INTERNATIONAL COMPETION"

FOOTBALL.

The first match in New South Wales played under English Association rules was played on Saturday last, by the newly formed club, against the King's School boys, at Parramatta. The visitors had a very fair team, allowing for the fact that hardly one of them had played football for some years. This advantage was however believed by the fact that the boys had not played these rules before. The game was well contested for an hour and a half, and terminated in favour of the visitors by five goals to none; the number of goals must not, however, be taken as a criterion of the play, which was remarkably even, particularly after half time, the boys on several occasions only failing to score on account of their want of familiarity with the art of passing and middling the ball. On the side of the English Association Club all played up well, but the play of D. Roxburgh as back was remarkably good and invaluable to his side, and Scott's goal-keeping deserves praise. On the King's School side the play of Fenwick was very fine, and he would make a grand Association player; all; however, played well. Mr. Savage, an old International player, played with and coached King's School. The names of the club players were:—T. A. Todd (captain), W. J. Baker, J. W. Fletcher, C. E. Hewlett, C. F. Fletcher, Wastinnge, W. Robertson, W. Simson, Chapman, D. Roxburgh, J. Scott (goal).

A match has been arranged, under, English Association rules, on Moore Park, for next Saturday, against the Redfern Club.

Sydney Morning Herald Report of 13/8/1880

From "Bell's Life in London" (a great sporting paper of the period) of 1st January, 1881:

"The Association Game in New South Wales.

"We have received the following letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Football Association:—

Coreen College, Woollahra, Sydney, N.S.W.

"My Dear Sir,

"I do not know whether your attention has been drawn to football in the antipodes, but the following account may prove interesting:—
"Until the present season, the rules of the Rugby Union have been in force here, without any active opposition, and the Southern Rugby Union includes a large number of clubs. During the last two seasons, however, a movement has been gaining ground in favour of the introduction of the Victorian game, which, about six weeks ago, took a definite form in the forming of an Association and clubs, and one or two exhibition games have been played. The mass of football players, whatever they may think of Rugby Union, are, I believe, in Sydney, decidedly averse to this game, considering it was neither 'flesh, fish, etc.'

"Under these circumstances, two or three old English and Scottish Association players, thinking the opportunity for which they had waited had arrived, having mooted the idea in the papers, and gained the favourable consideration of Rugby football players, convened a meeting which was well attended, and in which the matter was well considered.

"A club was immediately formed, with the following Committee: A. P. Savage, M. Barlow, J. A. Todd, W. J. Baker, C. E. Hewlett, and Hon. Sec. J. W. Fletcher.

"Promises of support continued to come in and the club in about three weeks numbers a very creditable number of members, though it was very late, almost at the end of the season, when the club was formed, As the fixtures for the season were already made under Rugby Rules, it was somewhat difficult to arrange matters and get teams together. The first Association match in N.S.W. was, however, played by the club against the King's School, Parramatta, on 14th August, 1880, the club winning by five goals to nil, the game being very promising.

"At a Committee meeting held this week, it was resolved to call our club 'The Wanderers,' or 'N.S.W. Wanderers,' rather, and further, that the club should be enrolled (with your permission) in the British Association, and that an account should be sent Home for publication, that the colours of the club should be white jersey, cap and knickerbockers, with badge Southern Cross and blue stockings.

"Today the second match was played on Moore Park between the newly named 'Wanderers' and Redfern Club, a Rugby club who had not

newly named 'Wanderers' and Redfern Club, a Rugby club who had not played the rules before. After a very keen game, 'Wanderers' won by two goals to none.

"We have, of course, an uphill game to fight, but you will see we have made a splendid commencement, and feel sanguine of success in spite of the Victorian game. The ice has been broken for next season, when we intend to be early in the field. Will you kindly introduce us to the Football Association? I fancy our modest commencement is only the introduction to a brilliant future for Association football here, and we wish to work in concert with the English Association.

"I have written to Mr. C. Smith, who once played for England, asking him to act as our representative. I had forgotten to say that, besides the 'N.S.W. Wanderers,' this school (Coreen College) plays under Association rules, and has taken to the game wonderfully well. The two clubs play next Saturday.

(Sgd.) J. W. Fletcher,

Hon. Sec. 'N.S.W. Wanderers'"

In the year of 1882, Mr. J. Macaulay had been elected Secretary to control football in New South Wales, which was then called Southern British Association of Football. By the year of 1887, the number of clubs in and around Sydney town had grown to include Wanderers. Arcadians Caledonians Kings School Canterbury Granville Pyrmont Rangers Pyrmont Rovers Parramatta Katoomba Parkgrove Young Mens Field Association Ambrose Embroys Then came the following 1888 North Illawarra. 1888 Joadja 1889 Woonona 1889 Lithgow Rangers 1889 Illawarra Rovers 1889 Parkgrove Pilgrims 1890 Balgownie Mt Victoria 1890 1890 Helensburgh Rovers 1891 Balmain Corrimal 1891 1891 Burwood Forresters 1893 Pyrmont Thistles 1894 Sydney Thistles 1896 Pyrmont VPluntees 1897 Aspley 1897 Marrickville Pioneers 1897 North Sydney Rangers 1898 Balmain Working Mans Institute 1900 Albions 1900 South Sydney 1900 Navy 1900 Rozelle 1900 Glebe 1902 Ulitmo 1903 East Sydney 1904 Sydney

1907 Petersham 1908 Garden Island Northern Suburbs 1908 1908 Balmain Kia-ora 1908 Gladesville

1908 West Sydney 1908 Western Suburbs 1908 Cockatoo Dockyards HMS. Powerful 1909 1909 Newtown St George 1910 HMS. Prometheus 1910 Metters 1910 Annandale Leichhardt 1910 New South Wales Police(Sydney) 1911

1914 Botany 1915 Drummoyne

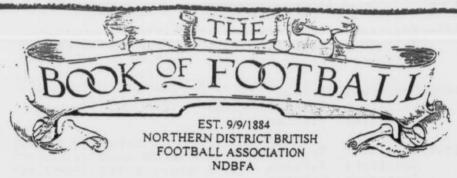
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Balmain Fernleigh Balmain Scottish Balmain Gladestone Balmain Caledonians Prymont Kewpies Magpies Coledale Thirroul Auburn Goodyear Concord Mascot Sunlight Two Blues Lancashire Society Clyde Lilyfield Rangers Carlingford Austral Bronze Manly Australian Gas Light Co. Campsie Thistles Callan Park Russell Lea . Alexandria Annandale Athletic Leichhardt Waratahs Lachlan Rovers Farmers

Fire Brigades

***Please note that Balmain changed its colours to
Blue and Gold on the 29/5/1896.

Also for the record Mr.C.P.Stephens was Secretary in
1886 and that the number of clubs had exceeded 186.



Northern District British Football Association Officials.

1884 President.Mr Gardiner
Secretary.Mr J.W.Ritchie
Treasurer,Mr.Stevenson
Vice President.Mr.A.Bryden

1885 President Mr Gardiner Secretary Mr J.Bromley Treasurer Mr Stevenson

1886 President Mr D.Wilson Secretary Mr J.W.Ritchie Treasurer Mr P.Reid

1887 President W.McIllroy
Secretary J.Bromley
Treasurer George Moorhouse

1888 President W.McIllroy Secretary J.Bromley Treasurer George Moorhouse

1889 OFFICIAL TITLE IS NOW (NDBFA)
Northern District British Football Association
President J.W.Ritchie
Secretary's W.Bartley's and F.Gerrard
Treasurer R.Talbot

1890 President James Fletcher Secretary Jack Harrison Treasurer R.Talbot

1891 President Thomas Frith Secretary J.Bromley Treasurer T.Greigg

1892 President J.Whitelaw Secretary J.McCartney Treasurer H.Brien

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1894 President J.McCartney
Secretary H.Brien
Treasurer David Williams

1895 President R.Gall
Secretary David Williams
Treasurer H.Brien

1896 President Dr W.Clarke
Secretary H.Brien
Treasurer H.Brien
Committee.David Williams, T.Wilson, J.Cullen, J.Cleary,
T.Marshall, James Cook, J.W.Bailey

1897 President Dr.W.Clarke Secretary H.Brien Treasurer H.Brien

1898 President W.Denton
Secretary Jack Harrison
Treasurer J.Bone

1899 President W.Denton Secretary Jack Harrison Treasurer P.Strachan

1900 President's W.Denton and James Robertson Secretary Jack Harrison Treasurer P.Strachan

1901 President's W.Denton and C.Myers Secretary Jack Harrison Treasurer P.Strachan

1902 President's W.Denton And R.Harden
Secretary J.Nix
Treasurer P.Strachan
Vice Presidents.Alf Edden(MLA)F.Pearce, H.Davis,
D.McGEACHIE, Ed Blackburn,
Major Mullholland,

1903 Patron .W.Denton
President.J.McCartney
Secretary R.Hood
Treasurer R.Harden
Vice Presidents, R.Brown, J.Estell, Alf Edden(MLA)
C.Price, David Watkins(MP)
H.Denny, Ed Blackburn, J.Hill,
F.W.Williams, Mr Hudson, Mr Harvey,
J.W.Ritchie.

1904 Presidents R. Harden and J. McCartney
Secretary R. Hood
Treasurer W. Waugh
Chairman R. Tait
Council. P. Strachan, W. S. Galloway, J. Duguid, E. Bartley,
R. Stevenson, J. Pettigrew

1905 Patron W.Denton
President John McCartney
Secretary Bob Stevenson
Vice Presidents, John Fegan(MLA) John Estell(MLA)
David Watkins(MHR) Alf Edden(MP)
H.J.Denny, Ed Blackburn, Louis Twist.
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James Wilson, Peter Myers, Harry Andrews,
Alec Roy, C.Faith, Mr Weatherburn,
J.D. Hamilton

1906 Patrons.W.Denton,G.F.Scott,A.E.Merewether
President.E.Buxton
Secretary.Bob Stevenson
Treasurer.John Wilson
Vice Presidents.John McCartney,H.J.Denny,Louis Twist,
Ed Blackburn,J.L.Fegan(mla)
J.Estell(MLA)E.Baker,J.Rixon,
R.Wood,W.Bill Smith.

Full Council.Alec Roy, E. Gilpin, Bill Ambler,
J. Filby, J. McLeary, M. McLeary, G. Brown,
George Myers.

1907.Patron W.Denton
President.E.Buxton
Secretary.Bob Stevenson
Treasurer.John Wilson
Vice Presidents.John Feighan(MLA)John Estell(MLA)
David Watkins(MHR)Henry Denny
Ed Blackburn,John McCartney,
D.Howard,Peter Bowling,Alf Jewell
Green Bros Jewellers,George Brown

Milton & McLuckie(Printers)
Council George Myers, W. J. Ambler, George Newton
R. Hughes.

1908 Patron W.J.Ellis
President.Peter Bowling
Secretary.Bob Stevenson
Treasurer.G.A.Myers
Vice Presidents,Ed Blackburn,Henry Denny,W.A.Reid,
M.Lynch,J.McGeachie,W.Graham(MP)
Alf Edden(MP)F.Pearce,W.McIllroy.
Committee,Ed Buxton,J.Fitzgibbons,J.Symes,
J.Filby,A.J.Porteous

1909 President.J.Wilson
Secretary.Bob Stevenson
Treasurer.G.A.Myers
Assistant Secretary.J.Reay
Vice Presidents,H.J.Denny,Ed Blackburn,D.Baker,
M.Charlton(MP)W.Graham(MP)
J.Fegan(MLA)O.Gilbert(MLA)
Peter Bowling.
Committee.Ed Buxton,J.Fitzgibbons,J.Symes,

J. Filby, A. J. Porteous.

1910 President.J.Wilson
Secretary.Bob Stevenson
Treasurer.G.A.Myers
Committee.Ed Buxton, J.Filby, J.Reay, J, Symes, J.Logan,
A.J.Porteous.

1911.President.George Brown Secretary.Jack Harrison Treasurer.D.McDade

1912.President J.Maloney
Secretary.T.Estell
Treasurer.D.McDade
Assistant Secretary.P.Slavin.

1913 President.H.Maggs Secretary.Dave Johnston Treasurer.T.Estell

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1915.President.T.McBlane Secretary.Dave Johnston Treasurer.J.Sanderson

1916.President.T.McBlane Secretary.Ed Masterson Treasurer.J.Sanderson

1917 President.R.Martin Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.A.A.Stirling

1918.President.R.Martin Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.A.A.Stirling

1919.President.Ed Buxton Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.A.A.Stirling

- 1920.President.J.H.Bloomfield Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.A.A.Stirling
- 1921.President.J.H.Bloomfield
 Secretary's.W.Roberts and Laurie Tamlyn.
 Treasure.J.Howard
 **Would you please note Secretary Roberts died in office.
- 1922.President.J.H.Bloomfield
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd(Resigned)And replaced by
 Laurie Tamlyn
 Treasurer.J.Howard
- 1923.President A.A.Stirling
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd
 Treasurer.R.J.Skillings
 Vice President.Bill Stott
 Assistant Secretary.C.Edmonds
 Management Committee.J.Mills,S.Bush,A.Stewart,
 J.Durie,Wal Rushton,R.Smith.
- 1924.President.A.A. Stirling
 Vice President.Bill Stott
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd
 Assistant Secretary.A.Jack
 Treasurer.W"Bill"Stevens
 Management Committee.J.Mills,S.Bush,A.Stewart,
 J.Furie
- 1925.President's A.A.Stirling and J.Earp.
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd
 Treasurer.W"Bill"Stevens
 Assistant Secretary.W.Wright
 Management Committee.J.Mills,S.Bush,F.Lockyer
 F.Harvey
- 1926.President.A.A.Stirling
 Vice President.A.Stewart
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd
 Assistant Secretary,W"Bill"Stevens
 Treasurer.S.Bush
 Management Committee.J.Mills,F.Lockyer,F.Harvey
- 1927.President.J.H.Bloomfield
 Vice President.J.Mills
 Secretary.Perce Shepperd
 Assistant Secretary.W"Bill"Stevens
 Treasurer.A.Stewart
 Management Committee.A.Harrod,Tom Crawford,J.Kidd,
 R.J.Skillings,F.Harvey
- 1928.President.A.A.Stirling Secretary.Perce Shepperd Treasurer.W"Bill"Stevens

**Would you please note that all Clubs prior to 1926 were registered as "FOOTBALL" not soccer clubs. 9/9/1884 Minmi Rangers

1884 Hamilton Athletic

1885 Lambton Thistles

1885 Glebe Blackwatch (Name changed to Burwood United at Mr Redheads Hotel in 1887.

6/1886 Greta Bluebells

1887 Carrington Blackwatch 7/6/1887 Wallsend Rovers

1888 Minmi Swifts

12/7/1889 Adamstown Rosebud 1889 Cardiff, Teralba, & Toronto declared one area

5/1891 West Wallsend Athletic(Name later changed to Bluebells in 1897

3/1892 Young Wallsend(Name later changed to Edgeworth when township name changed in 1972 in honour Tannant William(Sir Edgeworth David)

10/6/1894 Merewether Advance 21/7/1894 Dudley Athletic 1894 Minmi Thistles

10/5/1895 Broadmeadow(Formed opposite Premier Hotel) 1895 Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs

1896 East Greta

24/4/1897 Stockton(Formed at General Washington Hotel)

1898 Wallsend Great Boulders 1898 Newcastle West(Wallsend)Please read history)

1899 Great Boulders 1899 Teralba Advance 1899 Teralba Rangers 1899 Greta Cameo's 1899 Patent Rollers

1899 Hamilton

1899 Wallsend Royals 1899 Wallsend Mazeppas 1899 Wallsend Kia ora's 1900 Vanity Fair 1900 Charlestown

1900 Wallsend Blossom's

1900 Our Boys(Plattsburg Cooperative Area)

1900 Grunchers

1900 Minmi Trilby's

1900 Minmi Advance

1900 Broadmeadow Federal's

1900 Adamstown Shamrocks

1900 Maryland Royals

1901 Charlestown G.H.

1901 Westy Rebels

1902 Rhondda

1902 Minmi

3/1903 Heddon Greta Rooks

3/1904 Kurri Kurri

3/1904 Kurri Kurri Rivals

1904 Heddon Greta

1904 Wallsend Boulders

1904 Wallarah

1904 Catherine Hill Bay

1904 Windy Creek(Wine-dee)

1905 Holmesville Stars

1905 Minmi Rooks

1905 Kurri Kurri Vanity Fair

1905 Pelaw Main Violets

1905 Pelaw Main Cameo's

1905 South Maitland British Football Association

1906 Dudley Thistles

1906 Wallarah Seabreezers

1906 Minmi Starlights :

1906 Minmi Squashes

1906 Cessnock Starlights

1906 Cessnock Mountaineers

1906 Cessnock Bluebells

1907 Weston Advance

1907 Weston United

1907 Weston Albions

1907 Louth Park 1907 Boolaroo 1907 Charlestown Gamblers

1907 Minmi Wanderers

1908 Abermain 1908 Killingsworth Violets

1909 Minmi Clippers 1909 Killingsworth

1909 Killingsworth Rangers

1909 Minmi Pirates

1910 Cardiff

1910 Charlestown Waratahs

1910 Whitburn Stars

1910 Minmi Gardeners

1910 Redhead Moppies

1911 West Wallsend I.O.R.

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1912 Speers Point

1913 Morisset

1913 Glebe Hill

1913 Vaiseys

1913 Newcastle United

1915 Aba-Dare Blossoms

1916 Merewether Stirling

1915 Chookies

1918 Hebburn

1918 West Wallsend Woodpeckers

1918 Kurri Kurri Rechabites

1918 Tom Tits

1918 Jesmond

1919 New Lambton

1919 Rothbury

1919 Hebburn Starlights

1920 Maryville

1920 Wallsend Jetties

1921 Waratah Mayfield(Name later changed to Newcastle City.

1921 Islington

1921 Kearsley Warriors

1921 Newcastle

1921 Seahampton Seaweeds

1921 Awaba(Name later change to Toronto Awaba

1921 Mayfield(Name changed to Lysaght'Orb(Name changed to Mayfield United

1921 Stanford Methyr 1921 Boolaroo

1923 Muswellbrook

1923 Wallsend National's

1923 Wallsend Ricketts

1923 Wallsend Gum Leaves

1925 Kurri Kurri North End

1925 Kurri Kurri Royals

1925 Newcastle-Hamilton

1925 Summerhill

1925 Barnsley

1926 Sawyers Gully Road (Weston)

1926 Bellbird

1926 Ballarat Rovers

1926 Cessnock West End

1926 The Ghosters(Wallsend)

1926 Newtown (Minmi)

1928 Hamilton North

1930 Whitebridge

1930 Redhead

1930 Wallsend Tinslashers

1930 Ky-Abba(Whitebridge)

1933 Gully Line

1934 Cardiff Loco's

1934 East Lambton(Dog & Rat)

1934 Pelican Flats

1934 Shortland

1934 All Whites

1935 Swansea

1935 Dudley United

1937 Left Overs

1944 Paxton

1944 Greta

1944 RAAF(Williamstown)

1945 Stewarts & Lloyd(Name later changed Tubemakers, Later changed to Phoenix Rangers

1948 New Lambton-Hamilton Rovers

1948 Greta Main

·1948 Millfield

· 1948 East Lakes

1948 Fernleigh Royals

1948 Sulphide Works

1948 Sawyers Gully

1949 Newcastle Teachers College

1950 Heaton

1951 Greta Australs

1955 Blacksmiths Rangers (Name later changed in 1963 to Belmont Swansea.

1955 Proletarians

1955 GUOOF(Wallsend)

1955 Colliery Inn(Wallsend)

1955 Lakes United

1956 Courtaulds

1956 Newcastle Austral (Name later changed

1957 Kurri Kurri United

1957 BHP(Name changed in 1958 to Port Rangers)

1958 Wallsend RSL(Later amalgamated with Jesmond)

1959 Austral Dutch

1959 Charlestown United

1960 Kearsley East End

1960 The Entrance(Name later changed to Central Coast United)

1960 Vistula

1960 Valentine

1961 Maitland (Name later changed to Maitland City, and to "EASTS" maitland

1962 Concordia

1962 Slavia United

1962 Pan Hellenic

1963 Toronto Diggers

1963 Dudley Redhead

1963 Macquarie Wanderer's

1963 Warners Bay

1963 South Wallsend

1963 Nelson Bay

1964 Hamilton Azzurri (Name later changed to Highfields Azzurri 1n1976, Changed to . Highfields Wolves 1995

1966 New Lambton South 1966 Charlestown RSL 1966 University of Newcastle

1967 West Lakes United

1969 Raymond Terrace 1969 Kotara South 1969 Stockton Hellenic 1969 Whitebridge Slavia

1970 Lambton

1976 Singleton

1976 Cardiff Workers

1971 Jesmond Wallsend RSL

1975 Cardiff Railway 1975 Swansea Workers 1975 Beresfield United 1975 Hamilton Redstars 1975 Belmont 1975 Cooks Hill 1975 South Cardiff

1976 Charlestown Hotspurs 1976 Gosford Rangers 1976 International Olympic(name later changed to Hamilton Olympic in 1992(Later changed to Hamilton Warriors.

1977 Heaton Park(Name later changed to Tomago Eagles 1978
1977 Branxton
1977 Lambton Rangers
1977 Rutherford
1977 Wallsend United
1977 Doyalson Wyee RSL
1977 Warners Bay Sports Club
1977 Holmesville Sports Club

1978 Mark's Point 1978 Shortland RSL 1978 Greta Branxton 1978 NCAE

1979 Lambton Jaffas

1980 Armidale 1980 Tamworth City 1980 Grafton City 1980 Coffs Harbour 1980 Elermore

1981 Twin Towns(Tweed Heads-Coolangatta)

1983 Port Macquarie 1983 Thornton Park

1984 Croatia 1984 Hillsborough

1985 Maldost 1985 Macedonia(Name later changed to Newcastle Macedonia for 1992 season. Then to Broadmeadow Magic in 1995

1986 Dora Creek

1988 Hunter Institute Higher Education(H.I.H.E) 1988 Medowie

1990 Crown United 1990 Budgewoi

1991 Polonia

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Northern District British Football Association
                    Badge(Premiership)
 1886 · Minmi Rangers
 1887 Minmi Rangers
 1888 Minmi Rangers
 1889 Minmi Rangers
 1890 Burwood United
 1891 Minmi Rangers (Undefeated)
 1892 Minmi Rangers (Undefeated)
 1893 Minmi Rangers (Undefeated)
1894 Adamstown Rosebud
1895 Adamstown Rosebud (Undefeated)
1896 Adamstown Rosebud
1897 West Wallsend Blubells
1898 West Wallsend Bluebells
1899 West Wallsend Bluebells (Undefeated)
1900 Wallsend Rovers
1901 West Wallsend Bluebells
1902 West Wallsend Bluebells
1903 Wallsend Rovers
1904 West Wallsend Blueballs
1905 Adamstown Rosebud
1906 Adamstown Rosebud
1907 Pelaw Main
1908 Adamstown Rosebud
1909 Adamstown Rosebud (Undefeated)
1910 Adamstown Rosebud
1911 Merewether Advance & Wallsend Mazeppas(Shared)
1912 Cessnock Caledonians
1913 West Wallsend Bluebells
1914 Merewether Advance(Undefeated)
1915 Merewether Advance
1916 Weston
1917 Weston Albion & West Wallsend Bluebells(Shared)
1918 Weston
1919 West Wallsend Bluebells
1920 West Wallsend Bluebells
1921 West Wallsend Bluebells
1922 Wallsend Rovers on Playoff From West Wallsend Bluebells
1923 Wallsend Rovers
1924 Wallsend Rovers Rovers & Cessnock Caledonians(Shared)
1925 West Wallsend Bluebells(Undefeated)
1926 West Wallsend Bluebells
1927 Cessnock Caledonians
1928 Adamstown Rosebud
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Northern District British Football Association . Ellis Cup Winners 1886-1928 1886 Minmí Rangers 1887 Minmi Rangers 1888 Minmi Rangers 1889 Wallsend Rovers 1890 Minmi Rangers 1891 Burwood United /carrington Blackwatch 1892 Minmi Rangers 1893 Minmi Rangers 1894 Adamstown Rosebud/Minmi Thistles 1895 Minmi Rangers/Adamstown Rosebud 1896 Adamstown Rosebud/Merewether Advance 1897 Pyrmont Voluntees/Minmi Rangers 1898 Minmi Rangers/Newcastle West(Wallsend Rovers ?? 1899 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown Rosebud 1900 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown Rosebud 1901 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown Rosebud 1902 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown Rosebud 1903 Adamstown Rosebud/West Wallsend Bluebells 1904 NO PLAY 1905 Adamstown Rosebud/Adamstown Shamrocks 1906 Adamstown Rosebud 1907 Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs/Weston 1908 Adamstown Rosebud 1909 Adamstown Rosebud/Merewether Advance 1910 Adamstown Rosebud 1911 Cessnock Caledonians 1912 Cessnock Caledonians 1913 Merewether Advance/Weston 1914 Merewther Advance 1915 Merewether Advance 1916 Weston (A.Team)/Weston(B) 1917 Wallsend Rovers 1918 Wallsend Rovers 1919 West Wallsend Bluebells 1920 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown 1921 West Wallsend Bluebells 1922 Wallsend Rovers 1923 Wallsend Rovers 1924 Wallsend Rovers 1925 West Wallsend Bluebells 1926 West Wallsend Bluebells 1927 Cessnock Caledonians 1928 West Wallsend Bluebells/Adamstown Rosebud

END OF SERIES

LIFE MEMBERS

+ Thomas Crawford + W"Bill"Beaney

+J.H.Black

+Sidney.J.Grant(MBE)

+A.Drummond

+George Plummer

+Alan Burns

+A.Hyslop

+H.G.Read

+Doug McLaren

+Ralph Grieves

+Fred Blim

+Sam Delves(OBE)

+William"Bill"V. Jones

+Robert"Bob"J.English

Ern Craig

+John.M.Sullivan

+Hugh Goodsir

William"Bill"Turner

Harry Hetherington Alan.L.Lamb

William "Bill "Mahoney

Donald Jones

+Steve Tredinnick
David G.Williams(OAM)

Con Mitsios

+Kenneth Ledden

Jack Turnbull

Keith Frew

+Douglas Skelding

Arthur Roberts

Richard Face(MLA) William"Bill"Walker

Harold Hall

Ken Kasser

Paul Tresley

Representative Appearances. From 1884-1928

Bobby Austin(Weston) Goalkeeper)

1920 NSW V Queensland 1920 NSW v Queensland

1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown

1921 NSW V Queensland

1921 NSW v Queensland

1921 Newcastle v Queensland

1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Queensland(Capt)

1922 Newcastle v Queensland(Capt)

1923 Australia v New Zealand(3rd Test)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Victoria

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v China(Please Read Story)

1924 Australia v Canada 4th & 5th Test

1925 Newcastle v England

1925 Northern District v England

1925 South Maitland British Football Association v England

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v Bohemia

1929 The Rest v NSW.

W.Ashton(Weston)

1909 South Maitland British Football Association v West Australia.

W. Acres (West Wallsend)

1912 NSW V Queensland

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

1913 NSW v Queensland

Jack Avis(Weston)

1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Australia

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Victoria(Capt)

1923 NSW v China(Capt)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand(Capt)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1925 South Maitland British Football Association v England.

Jack avis

H. Ashcroft (Kurri Kurri)

- 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v China
- 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v China
- 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v China
- 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v Bohemia
- 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v Bohemia

W.Brown(Cessnock) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

Lawson Bailey (Adamstown) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v South Maitland British Football Assoc. 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1923 Newcastle v China 1923 NSW v China 1923 Australia v China(2nd Test) 1925 Newcastle v England 1926 NSW v Queensland 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Australia 1928 NSW v Victoria 1928 NSW v Australia 1928 NSW v Queensland

Les Brown(Wallsend/West Wallsend/Cessnock) 1921 NSW v Queensland 1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Australia 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Newcastle 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v China 1924 Australia v Canada (4th Test) 1924 Newcastle v Special Services Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Newcastle v British Fleet 1925 Australia v England (1st Test) Jes Bicour

J.Bellamy(Weston) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

F.Bartley(Adamstown)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

H.Butcher(Mayfield) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland N.Brennan(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Barr(Minmi Rangers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

A.Baillie(Wallsend Rovers) 1898 NSW v Queensland

F.Bartley(Adamstown)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

J.Barry(Adamstown) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Brown(Wallsend Rovers) 1923 Newcastle v Queensland

G.Bower(Wallsend Rovers) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1927 Newcastle v China



George Bower.

R.Bower(Kurri Kurri)
1923 South Maitland British Football Association v
Victoria
1923 South Maitland British Football Association v
New Zealand
1924 Newcastle v Queensland

Brennan(Cessnock) 1927 South Maitland British Football Association v China

Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri)Continued next Volume)
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
Bohemia
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China

Alec"Sandy"Cameron(Adamstown)Continued next Volume)
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1924 Newcastle v British Fleet

1924 Newcastle v Canada 1925 Newcastle v England

1925 Northern District v England

1925 Newcastle v England 1926 NSW v Queensland

1926 Newcastle v Sydney

1927 NSW v China

1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v China

1927 Australia v China(1st & 2nd Tests)

1927 Australia v Bohemia(1st,2nd,3rd Tests) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

1927 Newcastle v Bohem: 1928 NSW v Queensland

1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Victoria

1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies

1928 Australia v NSW.

A.Charlesworth(Wallsend Rovers 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Jimmy Curran(Minmi Rangers) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend Bluebells)

1918 Newcastle v Sydney

1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown

1924 Newcastle v British Fleet

1925 Newcastle v England

1925 Northern District v England

1926 Newcastle v Sydney

1927 Australia v China(1st, 3rd Tests(Capt)

1928 NSW V Australia 1929 Newcastle v SMBFA.

G.Coulson(East Greta)
1909 South Maitland British Football Association v
West Australia

J.Campbell(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

D.Clarke(Cessnock) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

D.Cain(Minmi Rangers 1913 Newcastle v Victoria Jack Bush (Adamstown Rosebud)

1924 Newcastle v Combined Service Squadron Royal Navy

1926 NSW v Queensland

1927 Newcastle v China

Peter Coppock(Hamilton) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1920 NSW v Queensland

Albert"Poker"Creighton(Weston)
1923 NSW v Queensland
1923 Australia v China(2nd Test)
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v Victoria
1923 NSW v Queensland(Capt)
1923 NSW v Victoria(Capt)

Tommy Coates (West Wallsend Bluebells)
1920 NSW v Queensland
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Newcastle v Special Servives Squadron Royal Navy
1924 Newcastle v Canada.

Jack Coutts(West Wallsend Bluebells) 1923 Newcastle v China 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia



Harold Coates(Adamstown Rosebuds)
1924 Newcastle v Special Services Squadron
1924 Newcastle v Queensland
1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies
1928 Australia v NSW
1928 NSW v Queensland

E.Creighton(Newcastle)
1890 Newcastle v Queensland

R.G.Campbell(Adamstown Rosebud) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia 1909 NSW v West Australia 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Cartwright(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia R.Cartwright(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

F.Corrigan(Cessnock)
1909 SMBFA v West Australia

J.Cameron(Adamstown Rosebud) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria

Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend) 1924 Newcastle v British Fleet 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 Northern District v England 1925 Australia v England (4th Test) 1925 NSW v England 1925 NSW v England 1926 NSW v Queensland 1927 NSW v China 1927 Australia v China(lst & 3rd Test) 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Australia v Bohemia(1st Test) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Victoria 1928 Australia tours Dutch East Indies 1928 Australia v NSW 1932 Newcastle v Victoria

Albert Creighton(Newcastle) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland A. Dunne (Adamstown Rosebud) 1928 NSW v Aŭstralia

Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare) To be continued next Volume.

1923 SMBFA v Victoria

1926 NSW v Queensland

1926 NSW v Queensland

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

1927 Aŭstralia v China(3rd Test)

1927 SMBFA v China

1927 SMBFA v China

Jack Doyle (Adamstown Rosebud)

1905 Newcastle v New Zealand 1905 NSW v New Zealand

1905 NSW V New Zealand

Peter Doyle (Adamstown Rosebud)

1921 NSW v Queesland

1922 Australia tour New Zealand

1922 NSW v Queensland(Capt)

1923 Australia v New Zealand(1st, second.and 3hird Test 1923 NSW v New Zealand) Capt) 1923 NSW V Victoria

1924 Australia v China(1st, Second, and Third

1924 NSW v Canada(4th Test)

J.Edggton (Adamstown Rosebud. 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Bob"Brolgey"Elgey(Adamstown Rosebud)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand
1905 NSW v New Zealand
1905 NSW v New Zealand
1905 Newcastle v West Australia
1905 NSW v West Australia
1905 NSW v West Australia
1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

Albert Elliott(Merewether Advance) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Farrey(Weston)
1925 SMBFA v England
1925 SMBFA v Queensland
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 SMBFA v China

David Gilchrist(Wallsend Rovers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

John Gilchrist(Wallsend Rovers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

J.George Adamstown Rosebud)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand
1909 Newcastle v West Australia
1909 NSW v West Australia

J.Gill(Mayfield)
1923 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria

W.Gill(Mayfield)
1923 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v Queensland

T.Green(Kurri Kurri) 1925 NSW v England

A.Gibson(Weston) 1927 SMBFA v China

Jack Gilmour(Weston) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 Newcastle v Sydney 1922 SMBFA v Australia 1923 SMBFA v Newcastle 1923 SMBFA v China 1923 Australia v China(3rd Test(1923 NSW v Victoria 1923 NSW v Queensland 1923 Australia v New Zealand(2nd Test) 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1924 Australia v Canada(4th ,5th (Tests) 1924 NSW v Canada 1924 NSW v Queensland 1924 NSW v Queensland 1924 Newcastle v Special Services SquadronRoyal Navy. Eddie Hodge(Cessnock/Hamilton) Continued next Volume

1925 SMBFA v England

1927 SMBFA v China 1927 NSW v China

1927 Australia v China(2nd, 3rd Tests)

1927 Australia v Bohemia(2nd,3rd Tests(

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

Frank Hay(West Wallsend Bluebells)

1922 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Australia v China(2nd Test)

1923 Newcastle v China

1923 Newcastle v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

C. Harrison (Wallsend Rovers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Harrison(Wallsend Rovers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

Roy Harden (Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

W. Howe (Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

R. Henderson (Kurri Kurri) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland

G. Hunter (Burwood United) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

P. Hogan (Newcastle United) 1926 NSW v Queensland

T.E.Hill(Aberdare) 1927 SMBFA v China

W. Haddow (Minmi Rangers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W. Harrison (Wallsend Rovers) 1898 NSW v Queensland

J. Harden (Cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

Arch Harris (Adamstown) 1924 Newcastle v Sydney 1925 Northern Districts v England 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 Australia v England(4th Test) 1927 Australia v China(3rd Test) 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Queensland(Capt)
1928 NSW v Victoria(Capt)
1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies
1928 Australia v NSW

Archie Jackson(Wallsend Rovers/Newcastle West) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1888 NSW v Queensland(Capt)

G.Jones(Wallsend Rovers) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

H.James(West Wallsend Bluebells) 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

Jimmy Johnston(Wallsend) 1924 NSW v Queensland

P.Jordon(New Lambton)
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy
1927 Newcastle Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China
1928 NSW v Victoria

F.Jennings(Adamstown)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

W.Jennings(Adamstown) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

J.Jones(Merewether Advance) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

T.Jowett(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

R.Jackson(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria S.Kidd(Cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

Charlie Kilpatrick(Minmi Rangers) 1888 NSW v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

C.Knudson(West Wallsend)
1915 NSW v Queensland

Arthur Lambert (Adamstown)
1922 Newcastle v Queensland Artie Jambert
1922 Newcastle v SMBFA 1922 Newcastle v SMBFA 1923 Newcastle v China 1923 Australia v New Zealand(2nd Test) 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1923 Newcastle v SMBFA 1924 NSW v Canada 1924 Australia v Canada(6th Test) 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron 1925 Australia v England(4th Test)

1925 Newcastle v England)

Perce Lennard (Cessnock) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland ' 1922 SMBFA v Australia 1922 NSW v Australia 1922 NSW v Queensland 1923 Australia v New Zealand(1st,2nd,3rd Tests) 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 NSW v Victoria 1923 NSW v China 1923 Australia v China(1st, 2nd Tests) 1923 SMBFA v China 1923 CMBFA v New Zealand 1925 Australia v England(1st,2nd,3rd,4th,5th Tests) 1925 NSW v England 1925 SMBFA v England 1932 SMBFA v Queensland

**Please note.Perce Lennard playing for Australia in the First test in Brisbane against New Zealand scored Australia's first ever Home International goal

Bill Lambert (Weston) 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1920 NSW v Queensland(Capt) 1921 NSW v Queensland

F.Leece(Newcastle United) 1921 NSW v Queensland 1921 NSW v Queensland

J.Laird(Cessnock) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 NSW v Queensland

W.M.Lambie(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria Queensland 1890 Newcastle v

Bob Lidbury(Wallsend 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Liddle(Weston) 1925 SMBFE V England

M.Lee(Adamstown) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

R.Leckie(West Wallsend) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand Jack Mannion(Weston)
1925 SMBFA V England
1926 NSW V Queensland
1927 SMBFA vChina
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 Australia v China(3rd Test)
1927 Newcastle v Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 SMBFA V Bohemia

Di McLaughlin(West Wallsend)
1918 Newcastle v SMBFA
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
1921 Newcastle v Queensland
1921 NSW v Queensland
1922 NSW v Queensland
1922 NSW v Australia
1922 NSW v SMBFA
1923 NSW v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v SMBFA
1923 NSW v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Australia v Canada(4th Test)
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Queensland

Andy McNaughton(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1924 Australia v Canada (3rd,4th Tests)

Sid Masters(Kurri Kurri) 1927 SMBFA v China

S.Miller(Wallsend) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

J.Mitchell(Minmi Rangers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

Bill McIllroy(Wallsend) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W.Maxwell(Adamstown(1905 Newcastle v New Zealand 1909 Newcastle v West Australia H.MuirWest Wallsend)
1923 Newcastle v China
1926 NSW V Queensland
1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies
1928 Australia v NSW
***Please note Mr Muir's record is contined in the next
Volume.

W.McCroarie(Minmi Rangers) 1888 NSW v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

J.McCroary(Weston)
1922 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 Smbfa v Victoria
1925 SMBFA v England
1925 Australia v England(1st Test)

Perce Moore(Wallsend)
1924 Newcastle v Combined Services Squadron Royal Navy
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 NSW v China

H.McKissock(Granville/Aberdare)
1927 Australia v China(1st,3rd Tests)
1927 australia v Bohemia(2nd,3rd Tests)
1928 North v South
1928 North v South
(Please see Southern NSW Records before 1928)

G.Mason(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

J.Melville(Newcastle) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W.Mathieson(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Victoria

A.McNaughton(Weston) 1909 SMBFA v West Wallsend

H.McMinimony(Wallsend) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

J.McKay(Kurri Kurri) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia A.McNaughton(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

J.Muir(West Wallsend) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

William "Podge" Maunder (West Wallsend)

1921 Newcastle v Queensland

1921 NSW v Queensland

1922 NSW v Queensland

1922 Australia tour New Zealand

1922 Australia v NSW

1922 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Australia vNew Zealand(1st,2nd,3rd Tests)

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1923 NSW v Victoria

1923 NSW V Victoria

1923 NSW v New Zealand

1923 NSW v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v China

1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

1924 Newcastle v Canada

1924 Newcastle Queensland

1924 Australia v Canada (3rd, 4th, 5th Tests)

1925 Australia v England (5th Test)

1928 NSW v Australia(Capt)

**Would you please note that William"Podge "Maunder of West Wallsend Bluebells playing for Australia in the First test in New Zealand scored Australia's very first "INTERNATIONAL GOAL" in 1922

Henry"Hen"Maunder(West Wallsend

1922 NSW v Queensland

1923 Newcastle v China

1923 NSW v Victoria

1923 Australia v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1924 Australia v Canada(4th Test)

1924 Newcastle v Canada

1924 NSW v Queensland

1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

1924 Newcastle v Queensland

1925 Newcastle v England(Capt)

1925 Northern District v England (Capt)



Roy McNaughton(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Newcastle 1923 SMBFA v China 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Australia v Canada (3rd,4th Tests) 1924 SMBFA v Canada 1925 Australia v England(1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Tests) 1925 NSW v England Roy dilanghe 1925 NSW v England 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 SMBFA v England 1926 Newcastle v Sydney 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1927 Australia v Bohemis(1st Test) 1927 Newcastle v China

Bondi Neal(Kurri Kurri) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

Tommy Oliver(Weston) Jan Olives 1922 SMBFA v Australia 1923 NSW v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 NSW v Queensland 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFAv New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Newcastle 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1923 SMBFA v China 1923 Australia v China (1st, 2nd Test) 1924 SMBFA v Canada 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Australia v Canada(1st, 3rd, 4th, 6th Tests) 1924 NSW v Canada

Jimmy Orr(Cessnock) 1924 Australia v Canada(5th Test)

Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Australia v New Zealand(3rd Test)
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Australia v Canada(3rd,4th Tests)
1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Queensland
1925 Australia v England(1st Test)
1927 Australia v China(2nd Test)

Jack"Dingy"O'Brien(Wallsend/New Lambton 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Australia v China (3rd Test) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Australia (Continued next volume Dutchy Phillips(West Wallsend) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

R.Pollock(Adamstown) 1920 NSW v Queensland 1920 NSW v Queensland

H.Pringle(Kurri Kurri/Wallsend) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

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Roy Paddock(Holmesville) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

J.Pryde(Merewether Advance) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

E.Price(Adamstown)
1909 Newcastle v West Australia
1909 NSW v West Australia

A.Phillips(Kurri Kurri) 1923 NSW v Victoria 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1924 Newcastle v Queensland

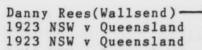


Charlie Pickerskill (Merewether Advance 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

D.Russell(Adamstown) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

Gavin "Massa" Russell (Adamstown) -

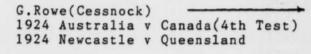
1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia



1923 NSW v Queensland









Jockey Stevenson(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Dave Smart(Burwood United) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Symes(Wallsend) 1898 NSW v Queensland

J.Stewart(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

J.Stoker(Weston) 1913 NSW v Victoria

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R. Sneddon(West Wallsend) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

J. Seddon (Weston) 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown

J.Strange(Cessnock) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland

Ern See(Wallsend) 1922 NSW v Queensland

W.Stewart(Adamstown) 1924 Newcastle v Canada

Tommy Shakespeare(Weston) 1927 SMBFA v China 1939 Northern District v Palestine

Tommy Sinclair(West Wallsend) 1918 Newcastle v Sydney 1920 NSW v Queensland 1921 NSW V Queensland 1921 Newcastle v Queensland 1922 NSW V Australia 1922 Newcastle v Queensland 1922 NSW v Queensland 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1923 Newcastle v Canada

Jack Taylor(Cessnock) 1927 Newcastle v China(Capt)

1927 Newcastle v Bohemia(Capt)

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia 1933 Australia v New Zealand

1933 Australia Tour New Zealand

Vince Turnbull (Adamstown) 1928 NSW v Australia

W. Thomas (Mayfield) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

Charlie Thompson(cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

J. Thorpe (Merewether Advance)

1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

1915 Newcastle v Queensland

1915 NSW v Queensland

Jimmy Thompson(Cessnock)

1912 NSW v Queensland 1912 NSW v Tasmania

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

1913 NSW v Queensland(Capt)

1914 NSW v Queensland

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1924 Newcastle v Canada

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1928 NSW v Australia

1932 Newcastle v Victoria

C. Williams (Cessnock)

1924 Australia v Canada 4th & 5th Tests)

1925 SMBFA v England

F. Williams (West Wallsend)

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G.Williams(Cessnock)

1923 SMBFA V New Zealand

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1923 SMBFA v Victoria

1923 Australia v China

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E. Williams (Weston) 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

Jimmy "Dummy "Williams (Weston)

1927 SMBFA v China

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J.H. Wishart (Wallsend) 1904 Australia Tour New Zealand J.Watts(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

Fred Watson(Merewether Advance)
1913 Newcastle v Queensland
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
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Arthur Walker(Wallsend) 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

Weir(Aberdare) 1927 1927 SMBFA v China

W.Wells(Kurri Kurri) 1921 Newcastle v queensland

T.Wardrop(Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Wallsend

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AS IT WAS THEN

Alan Tredinnick(Former Headmaster of Boolaroo Public School

You are driving up the new section of the Sydney-Hexham freeway, just north of the West Wallsend interchange, you look into the valley below and there you see Minmi a town of appreciable size which dwindled to a hamlet but is now a village and growing again. That is where Hunter Valley Football started in 1884.

Minmi Rangers, now defunct, was established before Liverpool Football Club or Spurs or Arsenal or most of the English Premier League Clubs.

Four Hunter centenarian clubs with similar claims to antiquity and still flourishing are.
Wallsend Rovers 1887(The Bolshies)Now called the Red Devils) fielded geniuses like Alf Quill, Reg Date, two of the greatest goal scorers the Australian game has seen, with a tally of almost 2000 first class goals between them.

Adamstown Rosebud(1889) with a proud record of never being relagated from the top division of Northern Football, despite the existence of a promotion and relagation system for some decades.

West Wallsend(1891) once had nine players in the same Australian squad.
Aston Villa might challenge that achievement as in about 1920 they bought the entire England side. (Westy however) achieved wonders with their homegrown talent.
Interestingly, Aston Villa came last after their investment.

Young Wallsend (1892) Now called Edgeworth) lived in the Shadows of Wallsend Rovers and West Wallsend Bluebells and although they have not quite achieved the greatness of their neighbours they are on the border of a massive Population boom.

From the outset the average northern footballer worked in a coal mine. That isn't hard to explain, a big pit could employ as many as 500 men. There were pits everywhere.

Some were "ratholes" with only a handful of employees. The large scale operations had a sprinkling of British migrants; devotees of the round ball game.

Their sons, nephews and "even grandsons worked beside them. Pinning a scrap of paper to a "prop" at the tunnel entrance was a sure way to recruit a team ...or several teams.

The best players and clubs targeted the Gardiner Cup, 1888-1928, then the pinnacle of Australian Football. A"knockout"competition(in more ways than one), it was the opportunity for Hunter teams to vie with those in Sydney, the Illawarra and remarkably, Lithgow, locally, there was the "Badge Competition", which we would now call the premiership. Looking at the "Badge"tables, you could get the impression that some clubs disappeared from time to time. However there were years when leading clubs decided to concentrate on the Cup and shunned the local competition. People today, even miners working at the coalface, could have only the vaguest idea of what it was like in the pits 100 years ago.

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It was dangerous work! It was hard work! it was filthy work!.
                               bath at the end of the day was
The hours were long and the
a cold one!. Butnumbers aside, the miner had three advantages
over employee's in most other industries of the day.
One, he had every second Saturday off; Two, he was better paid
than the average worker; and Three, he had access to rail
travel.
Railways were important to the pits even before the steam
engine was invented and, in most cases, still are. Even mines
with direct access to a wharf were often linked to a rail
system, Pit trains served towns along the Belmont line, closed
down only in the 1990's. It ran from Adamstown under the
Pacific Highway to Burwood Colliery. Whitebridge, Dudley, and
Belmont.
The Gully line ran from Broadmeadow through Kotara to the foot
of Charlestown. There was the Newcastle-Lambton-Jesmond
Wallsend-Young Wallsend- Argenton Boolarroo Speers Point line.
Wallsend also had seperate connection to the state rail
system through Waratah but this was for freight only. West Wallsend was the line that started at Cockle Creek
station and also served Killingsworth (spur), Barnsley and
Holmesville.
Most important of all was the South Maitland Railway. It ran
to Maitland, East Greta, Heddon Greta, Kurri Kurri, Weston,
Abermain, Neath, Cessnock, and beyond. There were loops, branches
and spurs.
One spur ran from Pelaw Main, itself on a loop, to Stanford
Methyr the Ghost railway line you cross by overhead bridge
as you enter Kurri Kurri from Mulbring at the Empire Hotel.
The Pelaw Main loop started at Weston and took you to
Richmond Main, Stockrington and Hexham and by a spur to Minmi. This was the line on which John Brown ran his favourite
engines; the ones he bought from France after World War 1.
He installed a turntable at Pelaw Main because he didn't like
to see them running backwards!.
Next time you are in Kurri Kurri have a look at the memorial
to the pits that once provided work for local miners.
It gives their starting and finishing dates.
You'll be fascinated by their names, like
East Greta No.1.1888-1926
East Greta No. 2. 1894-1929
                 1930-1935
Glen Greta
Ayrefield No.1.1920-1938
Ayrefield No, 2, 1924-1931
Heddon Greta
                1900-1912
Stanford Methyr 1901-1957
                 1901-1961
Pelaw Main
           No, 1.1902-1958
Hebburn
           No.2.1918-1972
Hebburn
                1921-1935
Greta Main
                 1902-1908
Sore Eye
           No.1.1903-1960
Abermain
           No.2.1910-1963
Abermain
           No.3.1917-1960
Abermain
                1906-1957
Neath
and John Brown's favourite
               1888-1967 of course it is estimated that their
Richmond Main
were 28 pits in and around Cessnock at various times which
overall gave work to 11,000 miners.
We also had pits like Pelton No.1. Pelton No.2
Pelton No.3, Kalingo, Aberdare South, Aberdare Central,
Maitland Extended , Millfield, Maitland Main, Stanford Main,
and of course who can and should forget Rothbury, and
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Bellbird which will long remain a part of the sad history of the Northern Coalfields. There were pits close to the main Northern line which passed through Awaba, Teralba, Cockle Creek, Cardiff, Adamstown Broadmeadow, Waratah, Maitland, Greta, and Braxton. Catherine Hill Bay had no rail link, Their coal went directly onto the colliers moored at their private jetty. Stockton miners reached the station by ferry, Both localities, however, had well established football clubs. Their local miners claimed that they quite often heard the coal ships anchor hitting the harbour floor. Naturally, the pit railways were geared to the needs of mines first and foremost. When you coupled a carrige or two with the coal train, you had a passenger service. Regionally, pit trains on private lines carried coal... Those that carried only people were called "trams". There was another aspect of travel which comes as something of a surprise. The northern teams eventually realised that the way to go to Sydney was by tram to Newcastle and then ship. They would leave on Friday night for their Sydney matches. The boat trip solved the accomodation problem. It also got them to Sydney on Saturday morning, relatively fresh.(I say "relatively" because managers were not always strong enough or interested enough to limit their drinking and gambling overnight) The S.S. Hunter(a steamship) was well known to our footballers. There is a fantastic story of Weston's "Whirlwind" Grant. (dont read any more of this paragraph if you have a weak stomach!).On Thursday evening he cooked a pound of sausages, skinned them and put them into his crib, On Friday morning he went to do his shift. At the end of it he showered and left on the train for Newcastle Wharf. His first act on board was to buy a bottle of beer in the saloon and take it to his cabin. There he pulled the chamber pot from under his bunk and gave it a really good clean up.next he tipped in the beer and the sausages. That evening he played cards with his teammates until midnight when he threw in his hand and Two minutes later he carried the chamber pot into the saloon, walked out. showed the contents to the fellows and proceeded to drink from it. He then lifted out one of the sausages and gobbled it down. Consternation !. Ten men sick over the rail !. One stayed there all night and later claimed it was sea-sickness !. As you go through this fascinating history you will discover that teams names were a mixture of the traditional, such as Rangers, and Rovers, with exotic names like "Trilby" and Vanity Fair". It's hard to believe, but names like "Bluebells" and Rosebud: "were among the more traditional!. Wallsend "Great Boulder"were named after a gold mine near Kalgoorlie. The Great Boulder mine had everbody buzzing in the 1890's as did "Trilby", a novel by G. DuMaurier, published in England in 1894 and later on sale in Sydney and Newcastle. One team or more inevitably lodged that name with the officials at Wallsend, It was a Minmi team that got in first, Afancy name , indeed!. But there was nothing fancy about the gear they wore!. Pit trousers and pit boots were the go!. The gear, though was usually modfied. You could shorten the legs of a pair of pit trousers for comfort sake and anyway, they were

THE BOOK OF FOOTBALL probably already worn through at the knee. You could improve your pit boots by attaching bars to the soles for greater traction. The cast iron cobblers last was standard equipment in every home. Leather was cheap and abundant so all you had to do was cut some strips(you needed a very sharp knife), PUT two or more on top of another and tack them across the soles. It was usually two bars and a "U" toe piece on the sole with one bar on the heel. If you were really handy with leather you might have breaks in the bars halfway across the sole and heel but studs were unheard of. On a slippery field you had a reasonable grip straight ahead. Veering right or left was another matter entirely. It was difficult to find tacks long enough so mostly the player used small nails. But it paid to get it right first time. Taking off the bars tendered to leave a line of gaping holes across the soles which then tendered to split under You would understand why that situtation came about if you knew how important it was to get all the nails turned over

properly. It took a bit of hammering. Unfortunately for the mateur shoemaker, there always seemed to be at least one Inail cutting into the sole of his foot. He seldom finished a game without a blood soaked sock and a very sore foot; or even two of each. Todays dry weather 'shoe"is moulded with studs or 'blades". For wet weather, there are "screw-ins" with built in plates first studs of varing length. There is a soft, low profile upper. It is lighter than the

early boot.

Yet it is amazing just how long it took for the modern "shoe" to evolve. For 60 or 70 years, football boots remained much like the pit boot with uppers fitted with reinforced toes and extending above the ankles, Sprigs or stude belong to the second half of this century; screw-ins to the last 30 years and blades only to the last couple of years. Some readers will know that Craig Johnston, the Hunters greatest football player of the 1980s has recently patented a new style of football shoe which pays attention to the problem of how to get "bite"on the ball with the boots upper. His invention seems set to allow players to effortlessly put swerve and dip into their passes and shots, A far cry from the Minmi pit boots but the future of the game is tied to the scoring of goals; lots of goals! The question is will FIFA approve the new shoe? Lets's just say that it has the backing of Adidas.

Football a century ago was played hard, Some would say ferociously ,from the players point of view, though, it was the style of the competitions which hurt most. The one that mattered was the Gardiner Cup played in a format similar to the English or Scottish F.A.Cup.

The Sydney officials took into account the Northern miners work commitments, The Norths Gardiner Cup.matches were always played on a Saturday and always on a northern miners

pay week-end. The pit team caught the tram on a Friday evening or very early Saturday morning, and got back home either Saturday

or Sunday night. You can imagine the disappointment of travelling back from a match in Sydney knowing that your season was over maybe after just one game,

Perhaps that is why our northern sides did so well on Sydney trips. There were losers, of course though some players could not accept that their season was over so early It was a case that some clubs nominated their teams for all matches, "badges" "Knock outs" etc, or just the competition they thought would suit their players.

Even filling in the team sheets could cause problems.

One such player was William "Mick" Lonergan, What happened was that one day the manager would write William Lonergan, the next it would be Bill Lonergan, later still, another manager would write Mick Lonergan, many many people would have known players just by their "nicknames" and often never ever knew the Christian names of even their friends, The same thing happened in the case of Robert, and Bob, Jeff and Geoff, Harry, Henry, Harold Herbert as well as many others.

It is easy to point the finger at some players but there was also some fairly dodgy types in the ranks of officialdom , too, Take the Gardiner Cup Committees decision to withdraw the invitation to northern clubs for the 1904 season! . It wasn't that they had misbehaved; at leaST NOT IN THE ACCEPTED SENCE. Their crime was to have had the audacity to win the Cup once too often!. Well that is one side of the story. Sydney officials would tell you that the cost of travel for southerners was the only consideration. The other "officials" had their bad moments too, You might think some of our current referees fall short of expectations but one of the "old stagers"sent off was Weston's Jimmy Williams in rather dubious cir.cumstances. Jim was dismissed for swearing at the referee. It was only after the game that the official discovered that jimmy's nickname, "Dummy", had nothing to do with his skills as a forward. He had been born profoundly deaf. All those years ago, being born deaf meant that you never learned to speak, let alone swear!."Dummy" must have had very expressive features, or more likely, gestures. Still on the subject of referees, their match fee then was three shillings, four if there happened to be excessive travel. But let's put that in perspective, Early this century Newcastle hosted a Western Australian side. As part of the northern hospitality, the visitors went by tram to Speers Point, Lake Macquarie, where they embarked on three launches for a sight seeing trip. The total expences for the day? Fifthteen shillings! (For the very young reader, ten cents was equal to one shilling when decimal; currency came in.)

CHURCH SERVICES CUT SHORT

When Minmi Rangers won the Gardiner Cup in 1892, they somehow got in touch with home to give their families and friends the good news,

Their folks bubbled with excitement but some realised they would be in church when the tram got back on Sunday evening so they consulted with their respective clergymen. Knowing the extent of the excitement in the community, the ministers all cut short their sermons that night so the families could get down to the station to welcome back their triumphant menfolk. In the year of 1903, it was history repeating itself, only this time it was the Bishop of Auckland team in England near Newcastle.

The Bishop of Auckland team had won their Amateur F.A.Cup, returning home on Sunday evening, Their centre forward was

the local vicar and the churches shortened their services

so that fans could meet the train!. The talented goal scoring vicar also won theological fame. He later became Bishop of Falkland Islands in the southern Atlantic. Could there have been some confusion in the church hierarchy when this appointment was made.? It is hard to believe that it was impish humorin men of such rank and gravity, From vicarof Bishop of Auckland to Bishop of Falklands!. The stuff of which tongue twisters are made!, A book such as this is primarily for reference purpose.

It belongs with your dictionary and your encyclopedia. Its wonderful collection of statistics and match reports

represents years of hard work.

It is specially for the player and the ex player but also for their descendants. Family and place names jump out at you from every page. Anyone with a Welsh background will be in heaven, Railway buffs will enjoy picturing to themselves the teams travels. Certainly it is a splendid acquisition for those with an interest in the Hunter region and a desire to know more of its background.

The Captive Settlers of Newcastle

Since the arrival of the first "captive" settlers in Newcastle, some form of ball game has been played. The rules were not many, the playing areas were not so well defined; much different to what we have today. With the discovery of Newcastle, the dependence on coal has been paramount to the life of this area.

The early influence and the scars left by coal mining are

Still evident in some suburbs today.

Little would Lieutenant John Shortland, in his search for escaped convicts in 1797 when he crossed the bar of Port Hunter, and found large quantities of coal on the foreshores and outcrops on the cliff faces, realised to what extent this coal would have on Newcastle in the year's to come.

Many coalmines would be developed in and around Newcastle at such suburbs as Stockton, Carrington, The Glebe, Adamstown, Hamilton, Lambton, Wallsend, West Wallsend, Minmi, and then still later to the South Maitland fields, and later still to the Singleton and Muswellbrook areas.

The island entrance to Port Hunter(Nobbys)at this stage was still separated from the mainland, was charted by Captain James Cook inMay 1770 on his voyage north in the HMS Endeavour.

It was later realised that the volume of water coming down the Hunter represented the joint catchment of the Coquon (Hunter), Yimmang (Paterson) and Doorribong (Williams) Rivers.

The large area of swamplands in the vacinity of Hexham extending almost to Wallsend was known in the earliest times as Barrahinebin and termed the Delta of the Hunter.

The modern name for the channel to Wallsend is Iron Bark Creek.

Wallsend perpetuates the love of England; characteristic of its founders who hailed from Wallsend at the old Roman wall on the River Tyne in Northumberland England.

Minmi became the first town in Newcastle to officially play football according to British Rules in 1884.

Many miners from Scotland had settled in Newcastle and soon accepted work in Minmi.

Coalmining as you would all know, or should know, was and is, very hazardous work; even more so in the 1880's, with many deaths recorded each year.

Wherever new mines opened, new football clubs sprang up. It was quite common for small mining villages to have two or three teams competing with fierce but friendly

rivalry. In the years between 1900 and 1928, when the miners worked the back shift on Saturdays, it was quite common to see these hard working miners arrive at the ground with blackened faces and still in their dirty working clothes, change quickly into their football gear and take the field. After the game, a cold shower change of clothes and the celebrations would begin for both loser and victor, as well as all supporters. Friendships grew and grew that lasted a lifetime; such was the comradeship that was made on the football field.

How things have changed today; no get together after a match, friendships not really made as yesterday, now we all leave to go our separate ways, WHY?.

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6th June 1991

H. Hetherinton Esq., 2 Hawkins Street, Rutherford 2320, Maitland, New South Wales, AUSTRALIA.

Dear Mr. Hetherington.

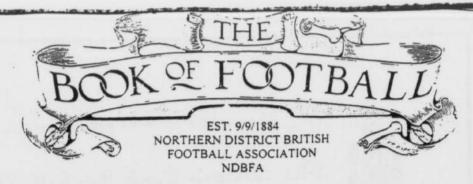
I am at last replying to your letter of 22nd March 1991 and enclosing the only piece of information we can trace at the Club relative to award of the cup to Queen's Park as the result of Vale of Leven refusing to play the match.

I trust this will assist you.

Yours sincerely.

ρρ J.C. Rutherford - Secretary

Enc.



IN THE BEGINNING.

In the early 1880's football was born in the north, in the thriving coalmining centre of Minmi, an Aboriginal name for the large water lily, which was very common in the area.

The event was sparked by the arrival of a four page Scottish newspaper addressed to Mr. Jack Winning and posted in faraway Cambuslang in Scotland, nearly six months before.

Mr. Winning was one of the many Scots who migrated in the early 1880's to hew coal in one of John Brown's mines. The wages at the time were very attractive but the majority regarded their location as an isolated spot with very few attractions. There was comradeship in the boarding houses, long walks through virgin bushland and "Kirk" on Sundays.

For a certain group, it became a daily custom when the day's toil ended, to wend their way home for a bath and a real miner's meal, and then to walk to the top of the school hill. Here items of interest were discussed; mainly on how to improve their working conditions. But on a certain Spring day in 1884, as the group walked along the winding main road, the postmistress hailed Mr Winning with the news, "A NEWSPAPER FROM HOME FOR YOU!."

The group of miners stopped near where the sandstone school was being extended to meet the demands of the growing population, When interviewed some years later, Mr Winning said, "Sure, I REMEMBER THE DAY. THE DEPARTING SUN LEFT ITS CRIMSON REFLECTIONS ON THE WESTERN SKY; . a scene really to beautiful to describe. But we, as new chums, had come to realise it would be a warmer day tomorrow. Besides Mr. Winning, the group comprised Bob Frame, Jim Wilson, Charlie Kilpatrick, Bill McIllroy, Jim and Bill McCroarie,

and Andy Bryden. Local and current topics having been discussed and prompted by a caustic remark from Bob Frame, Mr. Winning opened his newspaper to share the news from back home, "All went well until I struck a small paragraph about the Scottish Cup Final Of 1884 between Queens Park and the Vale of Leven. "Mr Winning said. We had scanned every inch of all newspapers for a month looking for the results Our enquiries were soon answered when I read these words." of the final.

Secretary Valker

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THE SCOTTISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT, 1883-1884

"The final tie, therefore, was left to be fought for the first time between the renowned rivals, the Queen's Park and Vale of Leven. Both clubs being agreeable, it was unanimously decided that it be played on February 23rd. On Wednesday, 20th February, the Vale of Leven telegraphed to say that as several of their team were unable to play, they could not meet the Queen's Park on the Saturday, and hoped they would receive an extension of time. A meeting of the Business Committee was immediately called, and, after fully viewing the matter in its different aspects, they decided that it would be establishing a dangerous precedent to grant an extension of time so near the day of the match, and without the concurrence of the other club interested; in addition to which it had to be borne in mind the serious interference which would have been made with the existing arrangements had another day been given. Finally the Secretary was instructed to notify to the Vale of Leven that they must play on the date originally appointed. The Vale of Leven again telegraphed that they would not play, and having failed to put in an appearance, the Queen's Park claimed the Cup. The General Committee afterwards confirmed the action of the Business Committee, and awarded the Cup to the Queen's Park. This unfortunate hitch was the cause of deep regret to your Committee."

E. Walker HN

Secretary

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THE GLASGOW HERALD, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1884

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL MATCHES.

The sual tie for the Scottish Cun, which should have been played on Saturday between the Vale of Leven and Queen's Park did not come off, and the Queen's Park met the 3d Lauark instead, winning by four goals to some. Before the pame began the Queen's Park appeared on the ground and claimed the cup, which the referes awarded them pending confirmation by the Association. A meeting of the Queen's Park will be held this stening to consider whether they will enforce their claim or meet the Vale of Leven laser on. The Scottish Association have a committee meeting on Saturday, when the matter will come up for discussion.—A: Bootle the Queen's Park juniors beat the club of that town by 9 goals to 1. The Blackburn Olympic defeated the Dumbarton at Blackburn by four goals to three, which proves that the Queen's Park may expect a stiff game with the Olympic in the English Park may expect a stiff game with the Olympic in the English Park may expect a stiff game with the Olympic in the English Cup tie, which is to be played at Mottingham on Saturday One tie, which is to be played at Mottingham on Saturday

"There was silence till Charlie Kilpatrick said ,'Fancy not playing the Final, Minmi would have rushed the chance'. and that really started the fun," continued Mr. Winning and in no time things moved quickly.
"Scones McCroarie chipped in with 'Lets form a football club here, to break the monotony, otherwise I'll leave for Sydney'."

Suggestions came thick and fast, A deputation comprising Winning, Frame, and Wilson saw the Colliery Clerk, Bill Ritchie, after workthe next day and explained the move.

Bill Ritchie, Australian born, listened intently and was soon won over as an enthusiast and promised to act as the club secretary.

As the deputation moved off the office verandah, the Pit Manager, Mr Gardiner, came out and asked what was going on. As soon as he was informed, he put his hand in his pocket and donated a sovereign, instructing Mr Ritchie to give a similar donation from the cash box.

The next move was a brisk walk down to Gillons shop, also a dour Scot, where three balls were ordered.



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Word soon got round Minmi of the proposed formation of a Football Club, and very soon Florins and half florins flowed in at a rapid rate.

The next night the club was officially formed with the following.

President Mr Gardiner
Secretary Mr Bill Ritchie
Treasurer Mr Stevenson
Ball Stewards Messrs Winning & Frame.
Umpire Mr Stevenson
Club Colours All White.

"It did not take long to obtain a suitable name.

MINMI RANGERS.

A small committee comprising Messrs Winning, Frame, Wilson and Kilpatrick selected Kelly's Paddock as the playing ground.

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Now this small notice was to bring much fame to Minmi.

NOTICE

FOOTBALL PRACTICE IN KELLYS PADDOCK

MONDAY NEXT

ALL INVITED

JOIN THE CLUB...NOW...FEE...2/-

W.J.RITCHIE, Secretary...

At first, dozens flocked down to the ground...many to kick the ball, but just as many to have a peep at this new form of sport.

Very soon, and for safety sake, the younger players were separated from older and more experienced men. One enthusiastic player, Peter Reid, lived at Lambton and rode a horse to work daily. He informed the committee that there were half a dozen players in the Hamilton area looking for a game. This gave Secretary Ritchie the idea of a match between players from Hamilton and Lambton areas.

Mr Reid was the prime mover in staging this game, now regognised as the first football match in the Newcastle area. He secured permission to mark out a football field in the old Lambton Park, an area adjacent to Elder Street, Bill Stevenson, then too old to play, was named as umpire. The match attracted much public interest and over 600 crowded around the playing area. Lambton Park in those days, the "Mecca"for sporting events such as the porridge-eating competition, dog coursing, handball, and clay ends (Quoits), had their following, The offering of a game of football according to British Association Rules, naturally drew a much larger crowd than was anticipated, It has been very difficult to pinpoint the exact lineup of both teams, but it was generally accepted that the following people played.

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MINMI RANGERS(All White) 2 v Lambton-Hamilton J. Winning T. Dixon W.McCroarie J. Stevenson C. Kilpatrick M. Lambie J. Wilson R. Jackson W.McIllroy G.Richardson J.McCroarie J. Reid C. Edggton R. Frame J. Bromley A. Bryden L. Gibson S.Mitchell C. Aiken

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A. Todd Umpire Bill Stevenson

And so into history goes the very first match of Football ever played in Newcastle.

To commemorate this match, the Newcastle City Council some Years ago placed a little plaque near the old band stand in Lambton Park. (But dont strain your eyes looking for this piece of history; if you blink you will miss it. The Council should be ashamed of itself for such a miserable little piece of history).

The coal industry around Newcastle experienced rapid development in the late 1880's and many miners migrated from Scotland, England and Wales. Pockets of football enthusiasts sprang up around the pit heads at Minmi, Hamilton, Burwood, Wallsend, Greta, Carrington, and Stockton. However, all football activities were limited to pay weekends; two Saturdays per month.

On 13th June 1885, Lambton Thistles (3) DEFEATED Caledonians (1) at Lambton Park.

15th August 1885 Granville 5 v Lambton Thistles 0 In the State Cup(Rainsford Trophy)semi final Granville 5 defeated Lambton Thistles 0.

Competition For 1886

1886 arrived before any form of competition could be arranged.
The isolation from Sydney was a bar against extensive competition travelling.

A strong club was formed at Hamilton where a group consisting of T.J.Dixon, R.Jackson, M.Lambie, J.Orr, A.Jackson, J.Stevenson, R.Vardy, A.Currie, D.Liddle, P.J.Davidson, J.McLeary, C.Dunlop. F.Maxwell, J.Berrage, D.Aitken, W.Mason, J.Flemming, J.Welsh, R.Richmond, F.Renman J.Rice, D.Houston, W.Lithgow, J.Millar, J.Brown, and D.A.Spant soon had things moving.

The Clubs eyes turned in two directions; to Minmi for local challenges and to Sydney for State honours.

Minmi had a very large squad of players and for historical purposes we list them here:

John Winning, James McCroarie, John Laverty, Bob Frame,
Bill Brown, Charlie Kilpatrick, John Gilchrist, James Watson,
Indy Bryden, Bill McIllroy, Wal Clarke, John Spiers, Don Grant,
eorge Slavers, John Williamson, Ron McKenzie, Tom Jeffries,
John Robson, Charlie Hammond, George Wood, John Haddon,
Bill Durrant, Joe Burns, John Scott, Bob Reid, Bill Stevenson,
Jim Connelly, Jimmy Curran, Jimmy Wilson, Bill McCroarie,
John Mitchell, S. Mitchell, and the Kirkwood Bros.

Official Opening of Season 1886.

The season opened on the 24th April 1886 when Granville visited Minmi. This match drew a crowd of more than 1,000 people and a silver coin collection totalled over \$25 Pounds.

The teams were 3 v Granville Minmi Rangers T. Heathcote J. Winning W. Baillie J.McCroarie F. McAdams C.Kilpatrick D. Rae J.Wilson L. Picken J.Curran R. Walker W.McIllroy J. Hotchkiss J.Laverty A. Howieson W.McCroarie J. Adams J.Mitchell W.McDowall W.Kirkwood J. Winters. J.Gilchrist

Minmi win over Granville was meritorious because Granville had defeated Caledonians in the 1885 State Cup.

A month later a start was made on the local competition. The first match at Minmi was between Minmi Rangers and Hamilton Athletic, with the Rangers winning 3x1. W.McCroarie(1)Jimmy Curran(2) WERE the scorers for Minmi, and Stevenson scored for Hamilton Athletic.

Nominations for the State Cup. Seeking greater honours Minmi Rangers and Hamilton Athletic nominated for the Rainsford Cup., But both clubs were dissappointed when they were drawn against each other in the first round. Hamilton Athletic arranged two matches in Sydney to prepare itself for the comming Cup matches. Hamilton Athletic played a 2x2 draw against Pyrmont Rangers, but were well and truly trounced by the talented Caledonian team 6x1.

The Cup tie between Minmi Rangers and Hamilton Athletic attracted a crowd in excess of 2000. With the score locked at 1x1 and five minutes left to play, Curran scored for Minmi Rangers to make the final score 2x1 A newspaper report said "...it was excitment surpreme as both teams played attractive football based on pure Scottish fundamentals, Such games must popularise the round ball game. Minmi entered the Cup Final, but were well beaten by Granville 2x0. The bitterness of the defeat was somewhat lessened by the Rangers annexing the Ellis Cup. It was Minmi Rangers first trophy and was presented by Mr J.C. Ellis, a local member of the State Legislative Assembly who for many years was a keen supporter of the code.

HAMILTON ATHLETIC

By the end of the 1886 season, membership of this club had increased so rapidly that the club officials advised a large group of players to form a new club at Glebe, where a suitable ground was available. To help this project, Hamilton and Glebe played a "friendly" at Redheads Paddock, which was won by the visitors 3x1. The outstanding player was the former Brechin City player Dave Smart, who for year's was a leading administrator in the north. The Hamilton Athletic team were. J.Dixon, D.Aitken, W.Mason, J.Flemming, J.Welsh, J.Brown, A.Jackson, R.Jackson, D.Liddle, R.Richmond, J.Orr, Dave Smart

1300

K.Renman, J.Davidson, J.McLeary, F.Maxwell, J.Berrage.

. MORE PROGRESS

During the season, new clubs were formed at Greta which would be known as Greta Bluebells; the officials were Bo Arbuckle, Peter Bowling, and Bill Stevenson, jobs were available at the two Greta mines and a number of Newcastle players went north, At Carrington more than 100 miners were placed at the Mosquito Island Colliery, Jack Bromley Arch Wilson, and George Currie registered a club under the name of Carrington Blackwatch which was officially formed at Burwood in May 1887 at Readheads Hotel. The officials of the club were Bill Galloway(Capt)John McLeary(Vice President) Dave Smart(Secretary)George Brown(Treasurer) and a committee of six.

New move by Association A progressive move by the Association was the formation of a district committee of four- Smart, Ritchie, Bowling, with Bromley as Secretary. The plan was to: 1) Hold a series of home and away games for competition 2) Hold a knock out series.

The first match at Greta was a Challenge Match between Minmi Rangers(2) and Greta Bluebells on the 13th May, 1887. In the first competition match at Greta, the locals beat Carrington Blackwatch 6x0.

For the record, the Greta Bluebells team was H. Isles F. Keenan, W. Clarke, W. Jones, N. O'Donnell R.Arbukle(1)Peter Bowling(1)Bill Stevenson(2)S.Bevan(1) W.Simpson(1) And P.Richardson.

The Carrington Blackwatch team was R.McQuinn, W.Kear, T.Lindsay, R.Smith, R.Blakely, A.Wilson, C. Gourlay G. Glasgow, G. Currie, W. McNeal, J. Bromley.

After a very promising start to the local Badge series, Secretary Bromley was sent to Sydney to address the Sydney delegates. His visit was successful and the entry of Hamilton Athletic into the Rainsford State Cup was accepted. He also secured the first representative match for the north to be played on the Queen's Birthday at Hamilton. Because of travelling difficulties, Minmi Rangers decided not to enter the State Cup(Rainsford Trophy). The holiday clash proved to be successful; so successful in fact that £51 Pounds was taken at the gate from the collection boxes and over 2.000 people witnessed an action

packed match. Newcastle Team Sydney Team 0 T. Dixon A. Stephens J. Wilson (Capt) W.Baillie(Capt) R. Jackson T. Barrington R. Walker D. Aitken R. Hitchens W.McIllroy J. Picken W.McCroarie C.P.Stephens J. Stevenson (1) J. Greig J. Gibson

D.Kerr J. Laverty P. Adams W. Lambie F. West

The 1886 Competition	Poi	nts	table	re	ads	as fo	llows
	P	W	L	D	GF	A	PTS.
Hamilton Athletic	8	6		2	38	11	14
Minmi Rangers	8	5	1	2	24	11	13
Greta Bluebells	8	4	3	1	21	13	9
Carrington Black Watc	h 8	2	6	0	9	42	4
Greta Black Watch	8		8		7	23	0

FIRST DOUBLE FIGURE SCORE

The first double figure score resulted when Hamilton Athletic beat Carrington Black Watch 12x2 with Jockey Stevenson netting 7 goals; a record that stood for many seasons.

The knock out series proved more popular than the Badge competition.

The Badge results were

Minmi Rangers 3 v Greta Bluebells 2
Hamilton Athletic 1 v Carrington Black Watch 0

In the Final Minmi Rangers beat their old rivals Hamilton Athletic $1.\,\mathrm{x}$ 0

In the Rainsford Trophy (State Cup) Hamilton Athletic had beaten Pyrmont Rovers 3 x 1 at Hamilton. In the Semi Final in Sydney, they ousted the Favourites Pyrmont Rangers 3 x 2. with Stevenson scoring 2 goals and Lambie 1. The Secretary of Hamilton Athletic Mr.R.Jackson, persuaded the players to have special training for the Cup Final listed for Sydney Showground on the 27th August,

A group of local businessmen and sporting folk opened a fund to send the team to Sydney on the Friday to have a good rest before the match. Their opponents, Granville, were quoted at 1/4 favourites because they had won two previous Cup Finals

Granville 's "Big Three ." Walker, Baillie, and Picken set out to rattle the methodial Miners but Hamilton Athletic rose to the occasion with astute counter tactics, which paid off.

Lambie opened the scoring for Hamilton Athletic, and before Granville could recover, Currie put another past Nelson, the Granville goalkeeper.

Then Sorlie for Granville, reduced the lee way just on half time.

In the second half, Hamilton Athletic were obviously superior. Their more skilful play proved too much and further goals by Edggton and Stevenson soon had the scoreline reading 4x1.

It was in the following match, however, that Stevenson was given the nick name of "JOCKEY": by a Sydney newspaper journalist who wrote that the "midget" dribbler rode the ball with the skill of a jockey, and that "he was a real menace to Granville".

Many years later, Stevenson became a businessman in Kurri Kurri and as a result donated the handsome Stevenson Cup, the symbol of a K.O.Championship on the Maitland Coalfields and later for all comers in the 1922-1940 era.



GRETA

A public meeting in the old band rotunda in the park in High Street. Greta, held in June 1887 formed the first soccer club north of Newcastle.

There were 41 enthusiasts present including a dozen or more who had played the game overseas. Many were miners who had trekked North from Newcastle where there was a slackness in the coal trade. Peter Bowling was the inaugural secretary with M. North as president and J. Arbuckle as treasurer. The joining fee was two shillings per playing member.

A letter was received from Jack Bromley, treasurer of the Carrington Blackwatch, offering a challenge match to introduce the code to the Greta public.

At the first committee meeting held early in July in the Tattersall's Hotel, it was agreed to accept this challenge.

The name of the club was chosen — Greta Bluebells. Other names suggested were Greta Wanderers and Greta Rangers. It was agreed to entertain the visitors at a sit-down luncheon and the aid of local ladies was sought.

On 5th July, the visitors arrived early and were given a civic welcome by the Mayor of Greta, Dr. G. J. Walker and Mr. G. Batey, the Town Clerk.

It was a real gala day for the surrounding area and 500 gathered around the playing area in Greta Park.

Greta proved too fast for the opposition and after leading by 2 to 0 at half-time, ran out winners by 6 to 0 with Bowling (2), Stevenson, Bevan, Simpson and Arbuckle doing the scoring. The teams who played in that historical match lined up as follows:

Greta Bluebells (white shirt with blue sash) — H. Isles, F. Keenan, W. Clarke, W. Jones, N. O'Donnell, R. Arbuckle, P. Bowling, Wm. Stevenson, S. Bevan, W. Simpson, S. Richardson.

Carrington Blackwatch (black shirt, gold sash) — R. McQuinn, W. Kerr, T. Lindsay, R. Smith, R. Blackley, A. Wilson, C. Gouriay, C. Glasgow, C. Currey, W. McNeal, J. Bromley.

Before the winter ended. Greta showed further improvement by holding the famous Minmi Rangers to a 3 to 2 defeat on Minmi's home ground.

Peter Bowling was Greta's star. It is worth noting that Bowling later became a leading miners' advocate. After the 1909 strike for the abolition of the afternoon shift (3 p.m. to 11 p.m.). Bowling, along with four other mining officials, were sent to gaol for their efforts in prolonging the strike.

In 1900 the Greta Cameos Club was formed by the enthusiastic North family and entered the Newcastle competition. Matches were played each fortnight and the club won 7, drew 2, lost 9 of its matches, finishing in fifth position. Bill Waugh (10) and Ern Pickin (8) were chief scorers. Registered players included: E. Allanson. Garnet Hodges, Geo. Hodges, J. Beatty, Jack Hodges, F. North, R. North, N. Chappell, E. Pickin. Waugh, W. Dempsey, J. Wholan, T. Chappell, W. Dimmock, E. Minto, J. Jackson, C. Hogan, J. North, G. Reeves, J. Hanley, J. Henderson.

During World War I. the Whitburn Stars came into existence and played in the S.M. senior grade. (North Markland)

In the 1919 season. Greta entered a 5-teams competition, but shortage of players plus financial difficulties did not allow them to do themselves justice. However, their goalie, "Scotty" Gilchrist, proved a real star. He was so active and pugnacious that he became the most popular keeper in the North. Some of his long clearance punts were amazing while his punching in goal-mouth melees often brought fear into the minds of opposing forwards. He later went to Wallsend where he won representative honours.

After several years of continual struggle plus unemployment at the Whitburn and Anvil Creek Mines, the club disbanded but the

game was continued by local juniors.

on many occasions of ten Hodges and a goalie, Bill Lennard, formerly of Kurri Kurri. Later a nephew, "Wedge" Durie was included. The stars were: Bill Lennard, Perce Hodges, Alec Hodges, George "Doodle" Hodges, Jack Hodges Snr., Garnet Hodges, Henry Hodges, Jack Hodges (son of Jack Snr.), Alf "Sonny" Hodges, Fred Hodges, Artie Hodges, W. Durie. This club won a niche in soccer history as its eleven consisted

Later, when Fred (inside left) retired, his place was taken by Alfie (son of Alf). Left winger Alf Hodges won interdistrict honours

in 1920. In 1917, six of the Hodges won a six-a-side series at Weston while in 1919, the same six won a similar honour at Adamstown in

a patriotic series.

Since 1920, only junior soccer has been played at Greta. The club produced some very fine players in Bob McKinnon, Win Kelleher, "Wingy" Lewis, Alby Goldent, Bert Palmer, Tom Heuston, Len Bates, Wal Skillicorn, Perce Hodges Jnr., K. Bell, H. Kedwell, L. Siddens, F. Nevin, M. Nevin, J. Picken, J. Wholert, C. Short, E. Short, R. Crawley, E. O'Donnell, A. Cruickshanks.

1887

FORMATION OF Wallsend Rovers

7th June 1887.

The Wallsend Football Club was formed at the Metropolitan Hotel in Wallsend on the 7/6/1887 with the Club Colours being Red Shirt with a 3 inch Gold Sash from the left shoulder to the right waist. with long white trousers, of Ankle length.

The first registered players for the club were,
David Gilchrist, J. Gilchrist, W. Miller, J. Miller, S. Miller,
Arthur Mansfield, J. Barker, W. Stein, W. Batty, A. Charlesworth,
W. McIllroy, and G. Youll.

Now these facts must be recorded that in season 1888 through the efforts of Secretary Thomas Mansfield, the touring Victorian representative team would play in

Newcastle.
Included in the Newcastle team would be three players from the Wallsend Club, in A. Charlesworth, S. Miller,

and W.McIllroy.
Wallsend would play its early Football on Federal
Park and Wallsend Park. until 1921-1922, where upon
it leased a portion of ground known as Johnson's Paddock.
The 1930 Annual Report of the club shows that Wallsend
decided that they should buy the ground from the
Wallsend Coal Co.

The Wallsend & Plattsburg Sun of the 6/7/1888 states: "The Woodward Bros Crystal Palace Circus will play at Lambton and Wallsend in the Coming weeks.

The circus did perform at Wallsend on Johnson's Paddock which was and still is devided in two by a storm water creek which flows past the Crystal Palace, crosses Tyrrell. Nelson, and Boscowan Streets, and flows past Tyrrell Park and then into Iron Bark creek, and into the Hunter River at Hexham.

Also running into this drain (Later a Canal) past the Football ground which crossed Bousfield Street and along Bunn St then down into the Canal was a very fast running creek called "Smartarse Creek".

It was through the Woodward Bros Circus that the Famous Wallsend Crystal Palace Football Ground would name its ground.

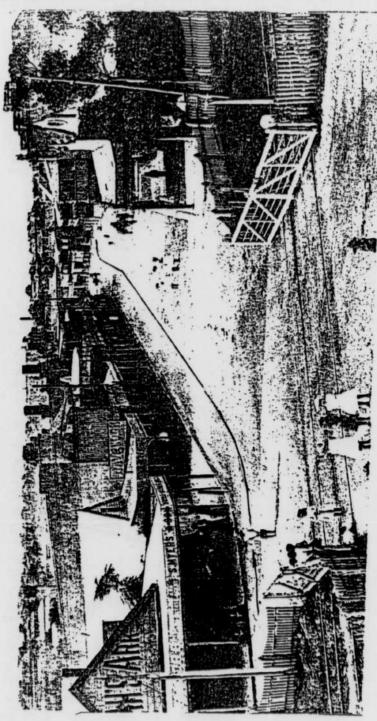
The 1930 Annual report shows that the "BOLSHIES" had paid their first deposit on their ground.

The Original Inhabitants
The original inhabitants of Wallsend were the Awabakal people, who flourished in Newcastle(Mulubinba)
Lake Macquarie(Awaba) was adjacent localities.
An abundance of food(Fish, Game, and Vegetables) were responsible for a large population.
Their language has been in the main preserved; but the Railway Commissioners were the only public body which accorded recognition until the early 1930's when several subdivisions have had the native names placed upon the streets and roads.
An instancing the applicability of such names:
Wallsend might have borne the title Nikkinba, the place of coals;
Youngwallsend(Edgeworth) may have been designated Tulkaba the place of the soft Ti Tree; Whilst

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West Wallsend could carry the Cuphonious and distinctive name of PITOBA, the place of the pipe clay.
"BUT"WHO WOULD HAVE THE GALL, TO SUGGEST THAT THE NAME West Wallsend should be changed, which would virtually mean dropping that part of "History"that old "Westy"is known for.

"Here are some early photo's of Wallsend.



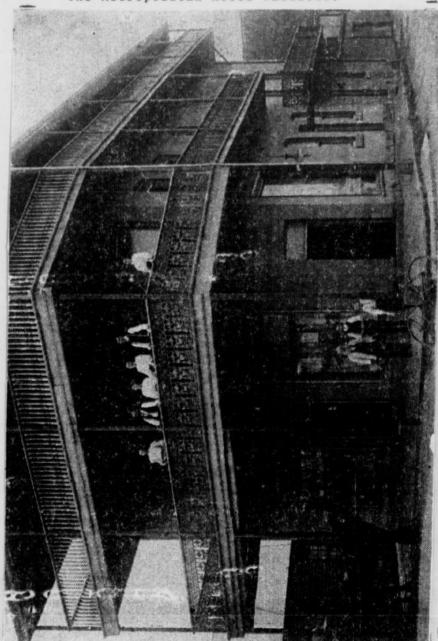
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The Metropolitan Hotel Wallsend 1887

The first officials of Wallsend Rovers were. President James Fletcher Secretary. Thomas Mansfield Vice Presidents. David Davids & George Stewart Committee.G.Youll, S.Miller, W.Stein, Dave Gilchrist, W. Batty, Arthur Mansfield, W. Miller, W. McIllroy, Sid Henwood From this humble beginning, one of the Commonwealth's greatest Football Clubs was born.. This Crystal Palace Club later in the 1939-1945 era raised many Thousands of Pounds for the comfort of Australian Troops on leave. Wallsend always donated the ground free to help any worthy cause, Wallsend Hospital and Wallsend Ambulance's also received much needed funds from the Generous Wallsend Football as did all Charaties. "BUT WHEN WALLSEND NEEDED HELP TO SAVE IT'S GROUND FEDERAL AND STATE AID COULD NOT BE SEEN"

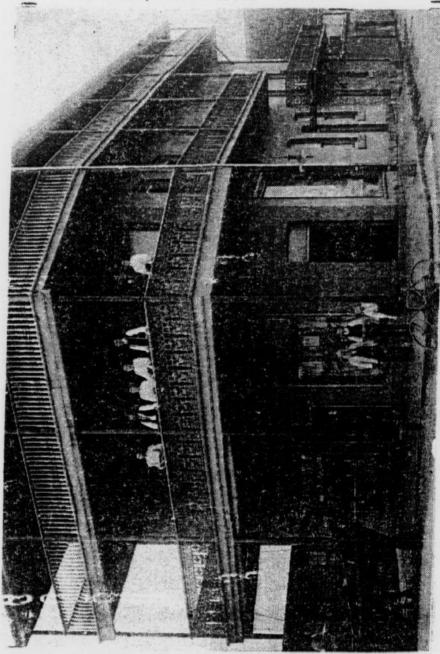
***Please note the Hall next to the Hotel is the Salvation Army Hall ,that was later moved to Council Street and is is still used today,after having been remodelled The Metropolitan Hotel Wallsend.



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1887 Points Table	Carrington	Glebe	Greta	Hamilton	Rangers	Rayers	Points
Carrington B'watch	х	2-1, 2-1	0-6, 1-4	2-14, 1-6	0-6, 1-4	0-1, 2-2	5
Glebe B'watch	1-2, 1-2	х	2-3, 1-3	0-4, 2-5	0-1, 0-3	2-2, 0-1	1
Greta Bluebells	6-0, 4-1	3-2, 3-1	x	0-2, 1-2	3-3, 1-2	0-3, 3-1	11
Hamilton Athletic	14-2, 6-1	4-0, 5-2	2-0, 2-1	х	0-2, 3-3	6-1, 2-0	17
Minmi Rangers	6-0, 4-1	1-0, 3-1	3-3, 2-1	2-0, 3-3	х	4-1, 3-1	18
Wallsend Rovers	1-0, 2-2	2-2, 1-0	3-0, 1-3	1-6, 0-2	1-4, 1-3	х	8

Sydney

2 v Newcastle

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24/5/1887

A.Stephens W.Baillie(Capt)

T. Barringham

R.Walker

R. Hitchens

J Picken

C.P.Stephens

J. Greig

D.Kerr

P.Adams F.West

T. Dixon

J. Wilson (Capt)

R. Jackson

D. Atkins

W.McIllroy

J. Robson

W.McCroarey

J.Stevenson

J. Gibson

J. Cafferty

W. Cambre

This Photo has been taken from the bottom of Nanny Goat Hill The big vacant area $\max(x)$ is the present Canal. The Goods Shed can also be seen. The area on the right $\max(x)$ Is the Bowling Club, and was known as Gander Flat. The old Wallsend Cemetary on Newcastle Road and Thomas Street can also be seen on the top right hand corner.



1888 Season. Victoria Comes To Newcastle. Because of the efforts of Thomas Mansfield . Victoria played Newcastle at the Newcastle Cricket Ground 21/8 / 1888 2 v Victoria Newcastle X1 J.Winning(Minmi Rangers) D.Smart(Burwood United) A. Jackson (Hamilton Athletic) W.McIllroy(Wallsend) G. Hunter (Burwood United) M. Lambie (Hamilton Athletic) J.Stevenson(Hamilton Athletic) S.Miller(Wallsend Rovers) 2) A. Charlesworth (Wallsend Rovers) R.Jackson(Hamilton Athletic) J.Edgtton(Hamilton Athletic) **J.Curran (Minmi Rangers)withdrew because of injury)

Umpire Thomas Mansfield

In the Badge series their were five entrants, Burwood United, Greta Bluebells, Hamilton Athletic, Minmi Rangers, Wallsend Rovers.

The Ellis Cup was won by Minmi Rangers defeating
Burwood United 3x1 at the Newcastle Cricket Ground.
Minmi Rangers 3 v Burwood United 1

Minmi Rangers Wilson J. Winning D. Smart J.McCroarie Dunn J. Wilson Hunter W.Kirkwood Nesbitt J. Laverty Lonery C.Kilpatrick Atkinson J. Curran Horton W.McCroarie Rice S.Mitchell Dunn H.Spiers Cunningham Gillies

Referee ..

Ellis Cup Semi Finals
Burwood United 3 v Greta Bluebells 1
Minmt(Bye)

Final 1/9/1888. Minmi Rangers 3 v Burwood United 1 At Newcastle Cricket Ground The Newcastle Evening Call reports that Burwood United of the 4/4/1888 reports thats Burwood united had recently formed themselves into a Footballl club.

Wednesday 3/5/1888 Newcastle Evening Call reports that Hamilton Athletic players for the season were. P.Davidson, R.Jackson, D.Smart, A.Jackson, M, Lambie, D.Musgrove, J.Stevenson, G.Kilpatrick. R. Vardy, D. Currie. J. Edggton D. Liddle, J. Orr.

Wallsend Rovers Players were
G.Griffith ,J.Deguid,G.Martin,W.R.Solly.A.Moore,A.Renfrew,
J.Holland,J.Carter.A.Drummond,Aitchison,J.Conn
G.Dequid,Sutton,.McPherson
C.Keller,Thomas,.G.Bower

1888 Badge Series	Burwood United	Greta Bluebells	Hamilton Athletic	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	Points
Burwood United	X	1-0, 1-1	2-2, 2-1	1-3, 1-2	2-1, 3-1	10
Greta Bluebells	01-, 1-1	х	1-3, 1-4	3-3, 0-4	01-, 2-1	4
Hamilton Athletic	2-2, 1-2	3-1, 4-1	x	0-2, 0-1	2-2, 3-2	8
Minmi Rangers	3-1, 2-1	4-0, 3-3	2-0, 1-0	x	2-0, 3-2	15
Wallsend Rovers	1-2, 1-3	1-0, 2-1	2-2, 1-3	0-2, 2-3	x	5

THE BOOK OF FOOTBALL

Three teams entered the Gardiner Cup(Knock-out) all being eliminated in the first round. Caledonians beat Hamilton Athletic 3xO and Parkgrove beat Burwood United 5xO while Joadja Creek(Southern Highlands) beat Minmi Rangers 2x1.

When Minmi returned from their Southern Highlands trip they described a nerve wracking experience of having been lowered into the Joadji Valley by means of a Flying Fox; the driver increasing speed greatly to unsettle the players. Mr Winning said jokingly, "By jove, the driver did unsettle the team. We decended like birds and we didn't think we would ever see Minmi again.

think we would ever see Minmi again. Minmi forward Joe Spiers said, "The driver had a $\cancel{\mathbb{Z}}_2$ pound bet on the locals and he certainly played his part in their great win."

Despite all this, Joadji had a strong team of ironworkers and won its way into the final to play a 2x2 draw with Pyrmont Rangers. They lost the replay 1x0 after making two long trips to Sydney. The Sydney Morning Herald said "They were worthy losers, as the players tired badly in the second half".

The strong Caledonians came north for a brace of "Friendly" games. They lost to Minmi Rangers 6xl and to Hamilton Athletic 3x2. "Scones"McCroarie netted a brilliant hattrick in the first game, while Jockey Stevenson scored three times in 11 minutes.

Such results indicated that the club strenght in Newcastle was now on par with the Sydney set up.

The formation of Minmi Swifts was to create a second grade to allow the Swifts to play "friendly" Two Minmi Rangers players gained selection in the NSW team to meet Victoria in Sydney.

They were Charlie Kilpatrick, and Bill McCroarie.

STREWSTH

1889 Season. President.J.W.Ritchie Secretary.W.Bartley & F.Gerrard

Treasurer.J.Bromley

The Annual report showed that Carrington Blackwatch had a new ground. At this stage a regular second grade competition was started to encourage more local youths to take up the code.

The Badge series results were as follows.

1889 Badge	Burwood United	Carrington B'watch	Greta Bluebells	Hamilton Athletic	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	Points
Series Burwood	X	1-0, 2-2	2-0, 2-2	1-2, 1-1	1-3, 0-4	1-4, 2-0	9
United Carrington B'watch	0-1, 2-2	×	3-3, 1-4	0-5, 0-10	1-5, 2-6	1-3, 1-1	3
Greta Bluebells	0-2, 2-2	3-3, 4-1	x	2-3, 1-2	0-1, 0-2	1-2, 1-1	5
Hamilton Athletic	2-1, 1-1	5-0, 10-0	3-2, 2-1	X	2-4, 3-3	2-2, 1-1	14
Minmi Rangers	3-1, 4-0	5-1, 6-2	2-0, 1-0	4-2, 3-3	×	2-0, 1-2	17
Wallsend Rovers	4-1, 0-2	3-1, 1-1	2-1, 1-1	2-2, 1-1	2-1, 0-2	X	12

Ellis Cup series Round.1.Minmi Rangers 2 v Greta Bluebells 1 Wallsend Rovers 3 v Carrington Blackwatch 1 Hamilton Athletic 3 v Burwood United 2

Semi Finals Minmi Rangers 5 v Hamilton Athletic 1 Wallsend Rovers(Bye)

Final of Ellis Cup.

v Minmi Rangers Wallsend 3 Dave Gilchrist

W.Miller

J. Gilchrist

A. Charlesworth

W.McIllroy

S.Miller

W.Stein

Arthur Mansfield

J.Miller

W. Batty

J. Barker

From the district angle, two new players from overseas in John Finlayson and John Ridgley won praise for their skill.

FORMATION OF Adamstown Rosebud 12th July 1889.

A casual complimentary compliment by an enthusiastic football cleric was the seed which started the birth and growth of the Adamstown Rosebud Football Club. Adamstown's inaugural Secretary, Peter Finlayson, later told of the importance of this incidence: "I had played a good game for Hamilton Athletic against Burwood United at Burwood Park(now called Mitchell Park). In fact, I had scored the winning goal.

The unexpected success of the Hamilton Athletic caused more than ordinary excitement as the game ended. As I walked towards the primitive iron dressing sheds, I ran into the Rev. John Penman, who remarked, 'Great goal, Peter. Good win!. Thanks John, I replied and proceeded on my way, but the Rev. Penman spoke again. "Let's form a club at Adamstown for next season, Peter, I have quite a few lads who need some healthy winter pastime and I'm sure they will make good footballers.

I'll give you half a sovereign to start it off,' were his final words. To be truthful, I had forgotten all about the suggestion till on the following Wednesday afternoon, when walking down Glebe Road with the two Waugh brothers and my two brothers, I saw several school children booting a self made football about on a vacant allotment. I then mentioned the suggestion to them. We all agreed that it was a good idea as there were at least seven senior players from established clubs living in the Adamstown area. But we dilly-dallied and when the 1889 season came, all recognised players had joined established clubs where work was available.

There was a recession in the coal trade and all mines were only working 4 or 5 shifts per fortnight. Perhaps this bread and butter issue prompted us to go with caution, "CONCLUDED Peter.

But the Rev Penman was a persistent person when planning

sporting activities for local youths.
He had established cricket and athletic clubs in four towns which fell under his control. The Rev Penman again approached Peter Finlayson and explained that he had a ready made champion goalkeeper in young Francis who had been offered a place in the Charlestown National Code.
So Peter Finlayson went home and made two large cardboard posters which read.

FORMATION of a football club in Adamstown
British Association Rules
Will be held in the cricket shed, Adamstown Park
Monday, 12th July 1889.

Posters were placed in the bar of the Royal Standard Hotel and in the front window of Davis Newsagency in the main street of Adamstown.

street of Adamstown.
The same day, Peter Finlayson approached the local mayor Ald Thomas Frith, who was so enthusiastic, that he promised to chair the meeting and gave Peter three Shillings to insert an advertisement in Monday's Newcastle Herald.

The meeting proved to be a great success and the formation of Adamstown Rosebud Football Club was a success.

President Ald Thomas Frith Mayor of Adamstown
Vice President.Ald Alf Edden
Treasurer. George Greig
Secretary.Peter Finlayson
Committee.W, Waugh, J. Waugh, John Finlayson, A. Finlayson
J. Bone, P. Inglis, T. Carr, J. Embleton, W. Bird.

Colours.It was agreed that the clubs colours would be White shirt with 3 inch navy blue sash wide, from the right shoulder to the left waist, with dark trousers of Knee length.

It was then thrown open for discussion what the name of the club would be.
Following are names suggested for this new club.
Adamstown Athletic, Central Wanderers, Rangers, Albion, Pioneers, Rosebud, West End, Advance, Thistles, Pirates,

An Englishman Peter Eastman, argued for the name of Adamstown Rosebud, he criticised many names as being too commonplace, we need something original. He pointed out that his name was attractive and was used by his cricket team , "Lambton Rosebud". Which was linked with a friendly Society called Lambton Rosebud Lodge. There was also in Adamstown, a very strong Juvenile Lodge called Adamstown Youthful Rosebud, Thirdly, the winners of last seasons 2nd junior cricket competition was Islington Rosebud.

In checking the newspapers files, the most popular brand of butter was called "Rosebud Butter", packed by the local wholesale grocery firm J. Ireland & Co. of Newcastle. When the vote for the name of the club was taken, Rosebud had gained 70% of the vote, Rangers 15/%, Pioneers 9/% and Advance 6/%.

So we see Adamstown Rosebud Football Club which has now been a power in Northern Football since 1889.

Adamstown Rosebud first team comprised the following. B.Francis, W.Waugh. J.Waugh, John Finlayson, A.Finlayson, Peter Finlayson, J.Miller, T.Miller, J.Embleton, T.Carr, Billy Bird, P.Inglis, G.Neilly, S.Miller, J.Bone, W.McLearie, J.Filby, and Lynch. Ald Tom Frith was a local councillor and a very powerful force in local Politics.

Sole rights to Adamstown ground were granted.



BURWOOD UNITED (FORMERLY BLACK WATCH)

Ellis Cup (Soccer) winners of 1890

Back row: S. Genge (Secretary), A. Dunn, A. Bailey, A. Bower, W. F. Stewart (President). Second row: J. Coutts, G. Hunter, R. Wilson, H. Brien, T. Marshall (Delegate).

Front row: J. Burns, J. Dunn, J.Hutton, D. Currie, J. Kidd.



to THE LORIGINAL BUSHE RATS 2SOCCER TEAM, 1890

- Worth Principle West Montion in Sq. and Hisham Sq.

By a Kew J. Campbell, M. Beller, J. Benjinger, C. Donk, B. Campbell

Minney Kew Jane Lefter, W. Donk, O. Commer, W. Jeffers

1890 Season President. James Fletcher Secretary. Jack Harrison

Treasurer. R. Talbot

This season opened with seven teams in the senior Badge competition.

The stage appeared set for a bumper season, but a major depression developed in the coal industry, The Miners had come out on strike in protest against the Coal Owner's reducing wages. The standard of play suffered and many players could not afford to travel to matches. The results and points table are as follows.

1890 Badge Series	Adamstown Rosebud	Eurwood Linited	Carrington 8 watch	Greta Bluebells	Hamilton Athietic	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Royers	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	X	1-5	0-1	3-3	1-2, 1-0	C-2	1-2	3
Burwood United	5-1	х	3-0, 5-3	2-1	3-4	1-0	4-0	12
Carrington B'watch	1-0	0-3, 0-5	×	1-6	2-2	0-1	2-2	4
Greta Bluebells	3-3	1-2	6-1	×	3-1	2-2, 1-1	3-3	8
Hamilton Athletic	2-1, 0-1	4-3	2-2	1-3	x	1-0	0-2	7
Minmi Rangers	2-0	0-1	1-0	2-2, 1-1	0-1	х	3-1	8
Wallsend Rovers	2-1	0	2-2	3-3	2-0	1-3	x	6

Ellis Cup Matches Round.1.			
Carrington Blackwatch Replay	3 v	Wallsend Rovers	3
Carrington Blackwatch Burwood United		Wallsend Rovers Minmi Rangers	3 1
Replay Burwood United Greta Bluebells Adamstown(Bye)		Minmi Rangers Hamilton Athletic	7 0
Semi Final Minmi Rangers Wallsend Rover			0
Final.Minmi Rangers	2 v	Wallsend Rovers	1

To help bolster the finances of the NDBFA, it was decided to run Semi Finals and Final this year.

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1890

Final

Minmi Rangers
J.Winning
J.McCroarie
Waugh
Hewston
Kirkwood
Boyd
J.Curran
Mitchell
Caddis
Cummock

Laverty

2 v Burwood United
T.Marshall
Bower
D.Smart
Dunn
Lambie
H.Brien
Davis
Campbell
Galloway

McMiiimeny

Dunn

Queensland Visit Newcastle

Late in the season, The NSW Association granted permission for the Queensland team to break its journey home for a mid-week match at Newcastle.

The Queenslanders, playing before a crowd of 600 people, gave a very polished exhibition to win 4x0.

However, the absence of star Minmi players from the Newcastle team weakened the team considerbly.

(Work was very scarce in Newcastle at this time of the year and any request to the boss for time off was frowned upon) The Newcastle team consisted of.

O v Queensland

Newcastle
Dave Gilchrist
Albert Creighton
S.Miller
J.Mitchell
W.Haddow
E.Creighton
Dave Smart
J.Gilchrist
J.Melville
W.Lambie
W.McIllroy

McMinimony

Reserve

On 16/8/1890 a NSW X1 met Queensland team The result New South Wales 1 v Queensland J.Logan(Caledonians) J.C.Bennett D. Reid (Parkgrove) H. Blake T.Barringham(Pyrmont Rangers) S.Shelly A.R. Pringle(Parkgrove) J. Brown W. Kidd (Parkgrove) J.McCosh J. Greig(Caledonians) G. Shelly(1) T.McCreadie(Parkgrove) W.Collie J.Connelly(Pyrmont Rangers) A.Brown(1) A.Miller(Balgownie Rovers) W.Dreghorn J. Thompson (Parkgrove) D.Menzies(1) A.Ferguson(1)Pyrmont Rangers) A.Manson

J.Milton
Referee John Wallace.

In the return match against Queensland at the Ashfield Recreation Ground on 23/8/1890. Queensland were again victorious .The teams are

New South Wales O v Queensland J. Campbell (Balgownie Rovers) J.C.Bennett J. Picken (Granville) S. Shelly W.Baillie(Granville) H. Blake J.Cambridge(Pyrmont Rangers) J. Brown A. Harley(Pyrmont Rangers) J.McCosh G. Rowe (Lithgow) W. Dreghorn A. Phillips (Caledonians) A. Brown A. Hogg(Pyrmont Rangers) D. Menzies Videl(Granville) A. Manson Kerr(Granville) W.Collie Thom(Caledonians) G. Shelly

Referee John Thompson.

In the Southern First Division this year their were 4 senior teams they were Caledonians, Granville, Parkgrove, Pyrmont Rangers.

Here again in Newcastle Burwood United first and Reserve teams were
Marshall, Smart, A. Dunn, J. Dunn, Lambie, Nesbitt, Hunter,
Miller, Cunningham, D. Liddle, Graham, McLeary, J. Rice,
H. Davies, Hatton, Robinson, Bower, Woolston, H. Brien,
Bailey, Furness, Galloway, Davis, Campbell, W. Dunn, Prior.

17/4/1890

Carrington Blackwatch held a preliminary meeting of the above club at Mr.T.Smith Carrington Club Hotel on Tueday Evening last.

Some 20 members being present the election of officers took place with Mr.J.Phillips in the chair.

President.Alex Mathieson
Vice President.Thomas Smith
Vice President D.Scott
Captain William Jackson
Vice Captain James Jackson
Treasurer J.Phillips
Secretary.J.Bromley.

The Evolution of the Penalty

One of the most momentous decisions ever made by the Football Association Council was the introduction of the Penalty Kick Law in 1891. Its overall effect on football is incalculable but it has certainly given rise to numerous unusual incidents, affected many a result and added an extra spark of excitement to the game. Previously no-one had discovered a satisfactory solution to the problem of how to penalise players who prevented a goal by unlawful means. Although one experimental rule had been introduced however, in 1881, by which the referee (still the official to whom the umpires referred to in case of disagreement) was empowered to award a goal against a player who handled the ball to prevent it from crossing the line, but after several cases of disputes had been reported the rule was rescinded in 1882 and no further attempt to alter the laws was made again until 1891.

By this date, "stop at nothing" tactics had spread and foul tackles were the accepted practice among the players to prevent a score because they knew full well that the resultant free kick could be nullified by packing the goalmouth. So, when the Irish Football Association suggested the penalty kick, it was readily accepted by the local Association. At first, it had only a slight resemblance to the spot-kick of today and was still regarded as an extraordinary rule; even when referees were given complete control on the field from 1894 - it therefore being no longer necessary for players to appeal to them for decision - this did not apply to the penalty kick, at least for certain offences. In fact, spot kicks did not take place until 1902 when present day markings were introduced; up to this point in time the penalty and the goal areas were completely different. Before 1891, the only mark on the field of play had been in the centre but the penalty kick gave rise to a number of markings where none had previously existed; viz. a line 12 yards from, and parallel to, the goal line by a player standing alone; a line six yards from the goal, limiting the distance to which a goalkeeper could advance; a mark 18 yards from the goal, behind which all other players were required to stand; this was only in theory, for a few grounds possessed these markings during the first season when the law was in practice. Thus when the Wolves centre forward, Heath, shot the first penalty against Accrington (England) on September 14th, 1891, it was taken from an approximate position only. In fact, in 1886, field markings were made compulsory; the goalkeeper's limit of advance being shown by a semi-circle of six yards from each goal post and the penalty line extending the whole width of the field. At this date, no 18 yard mark was deemed necessary but as players often encroached on the kicker, it was necessary to make it compulsory in 1901, when the field looked like the diagram shown

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The experience of a few seasons enabled the Football Association to see that the awarding of a penalty for an offence near the touch line was not justified and that the shape of the goal area in practice limited the goalkeeper's advance to five yards instead of six in the centre. As a result, present-day markings were introduced. After this change, the goalkeeper was compelled to stand on his line but he could still jump about in an effort to distract the kicker; this was not forbidden until 1929. The final addition to the law governing the markings on the field was made in 1937 when the penalty "arc" was introduced. This gave the kicker an unimpeded run at the ball.

A few loopholes in these laws were from time to time discovered by ingenious players; in the first season a Scottish forward scored a penalty by dribbling into the goal, while in another match delaying tactics caused the 90 minutes to elapsed before a penalty could be taken. The Football Association altered the law to provide for such contingencies but one goalkeeper tried a new strategy after the First World War: he was Thomas Farquharson of Cardiff and Ireland who gained a Cup Winners' medal with the Welsh club in 1927. He stood behind the goal-line when called upon to face a Chelsea penalty and saved the kick. Soon afterwards, a new rule compelling goalkeepers to stand on the line, was introduced.

(This article was written by Roger MacDonald for the Football Association News in 1963 and we thank them for this very interesting story on the "penalty kick".)



FCOTBALL AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE. THE CUP FINAL OF 1991.

200 yards; minimum length, 100 yards; maximum breadth 100 yards; minimum breadth, 60 yards. The length and breadth shall be marked off with flags; and the goals shall

be upright posts, 8 yards apart, with a tape or bar across them, 8 feet from the ground.

"2. The winners of the toss shall have the option of kick-off or choice of goals. The game shall be commenced by a place-kick from the centre of the ground; the other side shall not approach within ten yards of the ball until it is kicked off, nor shall any player on either side pass the centre of the ground in the direction of his opponents' goal until the ball is kicked off.

"3. Ends shall only be changed at half-time. After a goal is won, the losing side shall kick-off; but after the change of ends at half-time, the ball shall be kicked off by the opposite side from that which originally did so; and

always as provided in law 2.

"4. A goal shall be won when the ball passes between the goal-posts under the tape or bar, not being thrown, knocked on, nor carried. The ball hitting the goal, or:

boundary posts, or goal bar, or tape, and rebounding into-play, is considered in play.

"5. When the ball is in touch a player of the opposite aide to that which has kicked it out, shall throw it from the point on the boundary-line where it left the ground in a direction at right angles with the boundary-line, at least air yards, and it shall not be in play until it has touched the ground, and the player throwing it in shall not played by another player.

"6. When a player kicks the ball, any one of the same side who at such a moment of kicking is nearer to the opponents' goal-line, is out of play, and may not touch the ball himself, nor in any way whatever prevent any other player from doing so until the ball has been played, unless there are at least three of his opponents nearer their own coal-line; but no player is out of play when the ball is: goal-line; but no player is out of play when the ball is kicked from the goal-line.

"7. When the ball is kicked behind the goal line by one of the opposite side, it shall be kicked off by any one of the players behind whose goal-line it went, within air yards of the nearest goal-post; but if kicked behind by any one of the side whose goal-line it is, a player of the opposite side shall kick it from within one yard of the nearest-corner flag-post. In either case no other player shall be allowed within six yards of the ball until it is kicked off.

"S. No player shall carry or knock on the ball, and handling the ball under any pretence whatever shall be prohibited, except in the case of the goal-keeper, who shall be allowed to use his hands in defence of his goal, either by knocking on or throwing, but shall not carry the ball. The goal-keeper may be changed during the game, but not more than one player shall act as goal-keeper at the same time, and no second player-shall step in and act during any period in which the regular goal-keeper may have vacated his position.

"9. Neither tripping nor hacking shall be allowed, and no player shall use his hands to hold or push his adversary, nor charge him from behind.

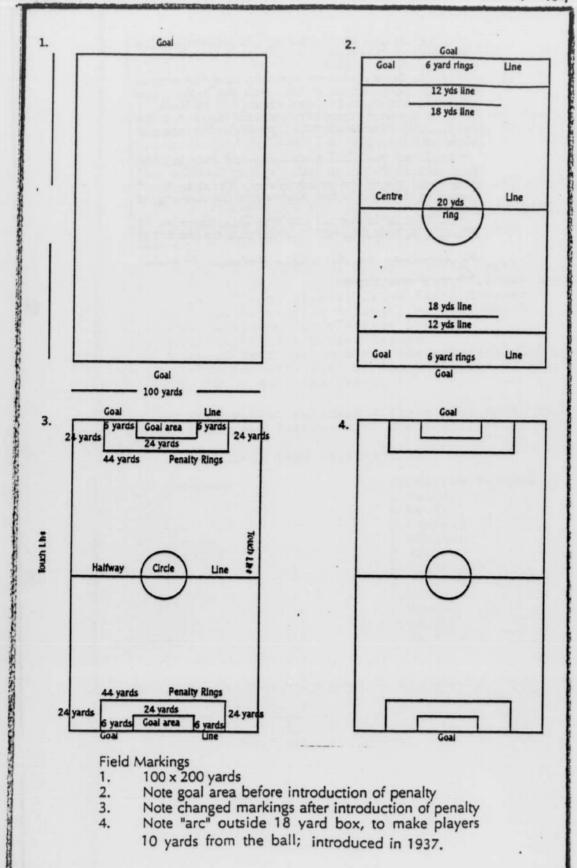
"10. No player shall wear any nails, excepting such as have their heads driven in flush with the leather, iron plates, or guttapercha, on the soles of heels of his boots.

"11. In the event of any infringement of rules 6; 8, or 9, a free kick shall be forfsited to the opposite side from the spot where the infringement took place.

"12. In no case shall a road be served from any free. "12. In no case shell a goal be scored from any free kick, nor shall the ball be again played by the kicker until it has been played by another player. The kick-off and corner-fleg kick shall be free kicks within the meaning of this rule.

"13. That in the even of any supposed intringement of rules 6, 8, 9, or 10, the ball apply until the decision of

the sempine, on his being appealed to check have been given



FORMATION OF WEST WALLSEND ATHLETIC

(BLUEBELLS)

A new club was formed at West Wallsend in May 1891. It's colours would be pale blue shirt, with white knee length trousers.

However ,Westy would later change its name to West Wallsend Bluebells and would use royal blue shirts. Under its new name it would bring much fame, not only to West Wallsend but to Newcastle itself.

West Wallsend went on to become another of the great football clubs in the colony. To give you some idea of just how great West Wallsend was and would become over the years, I list the players who went on to play for Australia.

Jack Coutts, Dave Brown, Les Brown, Clarrie Coutts, Frank Coolahan, Billy Coolahan, Jack Foster, Frank Hays Keith "General" Grant, Charlie James, Henry Maunder, William "Podge" Maunder, Di McLaughlin, Billy Smith, Harold "Lal" Whitelaw, Kevin "Midget Lake, Jack" Bully "Hughes, Ron" Coogan "Hughes. In my opinion, West Wallsend was the greatest club ever in Australia, you will read of further epics of the Bluebells later down the years.

For the record, West Wallsend's first ever match was against Adamstown Rosebud with the result being a 2x2 draw.

The West Wallsend team consisted of

West Wallsend
J.Wall
J.Swan
J.Graham
J.Robertson
T.Wilkinson
R.Harden
H.Spiers
J.Hughes(1)
A.Gracie
R.Clark(1)
R.Moffit

2 v Adamstown Rosebud
J.Neilly
W.Waugh
G.Nichols
T.Embleton
P.Jack
P.Finlayson
D.Jennings
A.Filby(1)
D.Dunbar
J.Waugh(1)
J.Bartley

***Would you please note that it was during this season that Umpires and their line umpires became known as "Referees" and Linesman". This change of name followed the receipt of information from the Football Association in London.

Saw a further decline in the Coal trade which had a marked effort on football in and around Newcastle. The closure of two mines in the Hamilton area caused Hamilton Athletic club to disband forever.

Many of its players transferred to Carrington and Adamstown.

For the first time in its history Carrington won its way into the Ellis Cup Final,
While the trade recession at Greta caused the famous Greta Bluebells to disappear from the senior ranks.

The NDBFA Officials for the season were President.T.C.Frith Vice President T.Greig Secretary J.Bromley

The badge series was limited to five matches, and six senior clubs entered.
The final points table read
Minmi Rangers 8
Burwood United 7
Adamstown 5
Carrington Blackwatch 5
Wallsend 3
West Wallsend Athletic 2

The Ellis Cup, the knock out series, proved to be the saving grace of the code.

Carrington Blackwatch exceeded all expectations to eliminate Adamstown to go straight into the final while, after preliminary matches, Burwoods John Dunne's sole goal gave his team the semi final over Minmi. The Final, between Burwood United and Carrington Blackwatch gave the public something new, The press made special reference to Burwoods attractive new uniforms, it being dark blue shirts with bright Red sash, and white shorts, Carrington appeared in its traditional red & black.

The line up of the two teams were.

Carrington Blackwatch 0 Burwood United 3 W. Jackson J.Bailey J.McQueen A. Dunne Capper A. Bower A. Jackson G. Hunter Robson R.Wilson Smith H.Brien Musgrave J.Burns Bromley J. Dunne(1) Todd D.Currie(1) J.Kidd(1)J. Taylor G. Taylor J. Hutton

Burwood's win revealed one vital fact- the club's policy of promoting outstanding juniors was paying off.

H.Brien was only 18 years of age when he won his first cup medal, and was probably the fastest player in both tackle and recovery.

Burns was a progressive flankman with good ball control, another success was jimmy Hutton, a young scotchman, only recently arrived from overseas, Hunter won a special medal for the most consistant player.

The local newspaper wrote of the team: "altogether"it was a well balanced eleven, with skills in all departments, plus an agile, active and vigilant goalkeeper.

1891 N.D.B.F.A 1st Div.	Adamstown	Burwood Utd	Carrington B.W	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	West Wallsend	Points
ADAMSTOWN	x	1.0	2.3	1.3	1.1	3.2	5
BURWOOD UTD	0.1	x	3.1	3.3	3.0	-4.2	7
CARRINGTON BLACKWATCH	3.2	1.3	X	1.1	1.0	0.1	5
MINMI RANGERS	3.1	3.3	1.1	x	1.0	2.1	8
WALLSEND ROVERS	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	x	1.0	3
WEST WALLSEND	2.3	2.4	1.0	1.2	0.1	х	2

1891 Ellis Cup.

Round.1.Carrington Blackwatch 4 v Adamstown 3
Burwood United 4 v West Wallsend 1
Minmi Rangers 2 v Wallsend 1

Semi Final

Burwood United 1 v Minmi Rangers O Carrington BLackwatch(Bye)

Final

Burwood United 3 v Carrington B/W O

1892 Season.
President.Jack Whitelaw
Secretary.J.McCartney
Treasurer.

Minmi Rangers partial fall from grace in 1891 season had a smarting effect on the internal workings of that club. Also, the continuing coal depression saw Charlie Kilpatrick, W.McCroarie, Jack Winning, and W.Kirkwood leave for Canada. After a stay in Canada, both Kilpatrick and McCroarie returned to their native Scotland. Kirkwood moved on to South Africa, where he was killed in a mine accident.

Jack Winning returned to Australia and lived out his life

Jack Winning returned to Australia and lived out his life at Kurri Kurri. Many years later while watching a football match at the famous Weston Homestead, he suffered a heart attack and died.

Minmi Rangers soon signed some new players for the coming season. They were Arch Jackson, R. Harden, T. Campbell, J. Stevenson, W. Haddow, and M. Clarke., Minmi introduced "Moonlighting training to the club with telling effects.

The Badge series attracted six entries , each team playing 10 games. Minmi Rangers had a highly successful season, with only one defeat (0x2)at the hands of its nearest neighbour, West Wallsend. The result set old Westy alight with excitement. the end of the series the points table read.

1892 Badge Series	Adamstown Rosebud	Burwood United	Minmi Rangers	Walisend Rovers	West Wallsend Athletic	Young Wallsend	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	×	22, 1-3	1-3, 0-3	3-1,2-0	3-1, 2-2	2-1, 3-1	12
Burwood United	2-2, 3-1	х	0-2, 1-3	1-2, 1-1	5-1, 3-1	3-1, 4-1	12
Minmi Rangers	3-1, 3-1	2-0, 3-1	х	3-1, 7-0	6-0, 0-2	3-1, 5-0	18
Wallsend Rovers	1-3, 0-2	2-1, 1-1	1-3, 0-7	x	1-3, 1-4	2-1, 0-2	5
West Wallsend Athletic	1-3, 2-2	1-5, 1-3	0-6, 2-0	3-1, 4-1	x	4-1, 1-0	11
Young Wallsend	1-2, 1-3	1-3, 1-4	1-3, 0-5	1-2, 2-0	1-4, 0-1	x	2

Minmi Rangers won the Ellis Cup with the fine record of played 14,won 13,lost.1,scored 57 goals,with only six against for a total of 26 points.

However, the zenith of their success was winning the famous Gardiner Challenge Cup, the symbol of the State Championship. Their Club Secretary, Mr McCartney was a super planner and it was his organising power which lifted the combination into a progressive, "go ahead" eleven; backed by a tremendous local patronage. Minmi were the only northern club to nominate for the Gardiner Cup and they went to Hartley Vale for their first round match, winning 5x0. In the semi final they went to Sydney and knocked out one of the favourites, Balmain, 3x1.

in the Cup".

1892 season
Backed by the local business community, McCartney took his team to Sydney and rested on the Friday night before the Cup final which was against Pyrmont Rangers, who were appearing in their fourth consective final!. A crowd of over 5000 surrounded the Burwood(Sydney)pitch. It was the first occasion that nets had been used and it was just as well too, for they settled many a potential argument. The first 20 minutes were hectic but with no score. In the 21st minute, Campbell put Minmi in front, Then Clarke, playing on the right wing,

put Minmi further ahead. After half-time, Clarke again increased Minmi Rangers lead. Even in those days, police were called to the ground, where they described the scene as "unbelievable, emotional enthusiasm shown by the miners from Newcastle, on their win

Minmi Won The Cup 3x0.

MINMI GREETS THE HEXHAM EXPRESS AT RAILWAY STATION

However, just as enthusiastic a reception greeted the players and officials at the Minmi Railway Station when the Hexham Express arrived on the Sunday night, Church services were shortened to allow the whole population to welcome returning players.

It was indeed a night of rejoicing for the isolated Minmi;

a day never again repeated.

If most of this crowd came from the Northumberland Hotel, Minmi, on this August day in 1892, then the publican, Mr George Wile would have had a busy time.

For not only did a Government Minister visit the town, but the same flags and celebrations continued in September when Minmi Rangers won the famous Gardiner Challenge Cup. Church services were shortened to celebrate.

The Rangers players were.

M. Burrell, Arch Jackson, J. McCroarie, J. McCartney, H. Stewart, R. Harden, R. Clarke, A. Cummock, J. Mitchell, S. Campbell, W. Haddow.

Pyrmont Rangers sent a congratulatory letter, which read at the presentation night conducted under President Jack Whitelaw guidance.

The Newcastle Morning Herald, in its 22nd September issue reported;

Minmi Rangers are now regarded as the Champions of the Colony. No matter where they go and what teams they meet, they invariably come off victorious; certainly it is safe to say they win 180% of their matches. They have won the famous Gardiner Cup by beating Hartley Vale, Balmain and now Pyrmont Rangers; all on away grounds
Their success is due to skilful play, unquestionable sportsmanship and loyalty to the shirt they wear.
Congratulations to Minmi Rangers—the pride of the North".

Minmi Rangers team was M.Burrell, A.Jackson, J.McCroarie J.McCartney, H.Stewart, R.Harden, R.Clarke, A.Cummock, J.Mitchell, S.Campbell, W.Haddow.

PLayer Register for 1892
Burwood United
Bailey, W. Galloway, Currie, Jimmy Hutton, Bower, H. Brien, Burns
C. Frewin, Wilson, J. Dunne, W. Frewin, C. Dunne, Hunter, F. Lush
J. Kidd

Minmi Rangers
W.Pelling, J. Murdock, J. McCroarie, T. Campbell, M. Burrell,
J. Kirk, A. Jackson, R. Harden, A. Stewart, W. Haddow, W. McBlane,
J. Stevenson, A. Cummock, G. Miller, J. Wilkinson, J. Mitchell,
J. McCartney, H. Stewart, R. Clarke, S. Campbell.

Young Wallsend J.McDougall, J.Hodges, Joe Harrison, W.McDougall, H.Vardy, J.Geddes R.Martin, R.Hilton, J.Stanfield, A.Smith, W.Jones

West Wallsend Athletic J.Walls, J.Swan, J.Graham, J.Robertson, T.Wilkinson, R.Harden, H.Spiers, J.Hughes, A.Gracie, R.Clarke, R.Moffitt

Adamstown Rosebud
J.Neilly, W. Waugh, G. Nichols. T. Embleton, P. Jack, A. Filby.
P. Finlayson, D. Jennings, D. Dunbar, J. Waugh, N. Bartley

Wallsend Rovers(Team not available)

A new club was registered in March, 1892, with the name of Young Wallsend.



Back Row: J McDougall, J Hodges, J Harrison. W McDougall, H Vardy, J Geddes

Front Row: R Martin, R Hilton, J Stanfield, A Smith, W Jones Manager in top hat unknown.

1893 Season President. Jack Whitelaw Secretary.J.McCartney Treasurer.H.Brien

FIRST PENALTY KICK AWARDED IN NORTH

Pre-season discussion centred around the decision to adopt the new penalty rule used for the first time in England and Scotland in 1892. Records show that the first penalty kick in the north was awarded by referee , Thomas Marshall, in the Wallsend v Adamstown game at Wallsend, where the locals won 6x5.As soon as the decision was given, the large crowd invaded the ground. Referee Tom Marshall, however was adamant the penalty decision stood. "Korkie"Miller went into the history books by scoring the first penalty kick awarded in the north. Both clubs later congratulated the referee on the manner

in which he controlled the game without fear or favour.

BIG FLOODS HIT THE HUNTER. Before the season opened, devasting floods hit the Hunter River Basin and there was an appeal for funds, Minmi Rangers donated £5 Pounds, the first donation from a sporting organisation. Interest centred on Minmi Rangers quest to retain the Gardiner Challenge Cup. Once again they were the only northern entrant and in the first round they defeated Balmain 3x1 at Minmi. However, in the semi final in Sydney, the Minmi Rangers knocked out the strong Helensburg team 2x1. All was set for the final at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 26th August. against old rivals Pyrmont Rangers. Years later, Jimmy Curran, in describing the 1x0 defeat said"... we had 35 minutes to pull the game out of the fire. We belted everything at their Goalkeeper, John Hickey, but he played like a lunatic. He stopped at least 15 shots to keep us out. I cracked a ball against the cross-bar but when I collected the rebound I was quite rightly blown offside. We had no luck but you must give full credit to the Pyrmont boys; they were just too good."

The Minmi goalie, Burrell said"...we really missed Jackson. He had a perfect covering system; always giving the goalkeeper great protection from the 'rough-house' method who had joined Wallsend, 'without boasting, my two fists often came into action when clearing high balls, or even opponents, who tried to bundle me into the nets'. McCartney, too, did not play in this vital final but good luck to the Pyrmont boys.

For the Badge series, there were seven entries with Minmi Rangers winning the double; the Badge and the Ellis Cup.

In the Ellis Cup Final 4 defeated Adamstown Rosebud 1 Minmi Rangers

HELENSBURGH!

1893 Badge Series	Adamstown Rosebud	Burwood United	Carrington 8 watch	Greta Eluebelis	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	West Wallsend Athletic	Point
Adamstown Rosebud	x	0-1, 0-3	6-0, 0-1	2-0, 0-1	1-3, 0-4	0-2, 5-6	1-2, 0-1	4
Burwood United	3-0, 1-0	х	2-0, 2-1	4-0, 3-0	0-3, 0-2	1-2, 3-1	2-0, 3-0	18
Carrington B'watch	0-6, 1-0	0-2, 1-2	х	2-2, 0-1	0-5, 1-4	0-3, 0-4	1-4, 1-3	3
Greta Bluebells	0-2, 1-0	0-4, 0-3	2-2, 1-0	х	1-6, 0-4	1-2, 1-5	0-2, 0-4	5
Minmi Rangers	3-1, 4-0	3-0, 2-0	5-0, 4-1	6-1, 4-0	х .	2-1, 4-0	3-0, 2-0	24
Wallsend Rovers	2-1, 6-5	2-1, 1-3	3-0, 4-0	2-1, 5-1	1-2, 0-4	x	4-1, 2-0	18
West Wallsend Athletic	2-1, 1-0	0-2, 0-3	4-1, 3-1	2-0, 4-0	0-2, 0-3	1-4, 0-2	х	12

Newcastle 0 v Sydney 1 In September, the annual representative match against Sydney

was played at Wallsend. M.Burrell(Minmi Rangers)

S.Jackson(capt)Wallsend)
J.Dunn(Burwood United)

H.Brien(Hamilton Athletic)
R.Harden(Minmi Rangers)

Hunter(Burwood United)
R.Clarke(Minmi Rangers)

J, Mitchell (Minmi Rangers_)

H.Pillans(Minmi Rangers

W. Waugh (Adamstown)

J. Jackson (Hamilton Athletic)

J.Logan(Balmain) G.Hobson(Balmain)

Gannon(Granville)
Banner(Parkgrove)

J.Gibson(Parkgrove Train(Parkgrove

H.Muir(1)(Thistles

Cameron(Sydney Thistles

T.Hardie(Pyrmont Rangers)
J.Ferguson(Pyrmont Rangers)

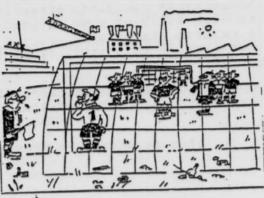
J.McIntosh(Pyrmont Rangers)

Referee

In the South Coast Final Helensburgh

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"He always kicks in this corner"

1894 Season President.J.McCartney Secretary.H.Brien Treasurer.David Ellis Williams

This season would be one of turmoil despite the growth at Merewether and Glebe and Dudley.

On the 10th June, 1894 Merewether Advance was formed and on 2nd July played its first match against Burwood United, which they duly won 5x2. The scorer's were Burns(1)Coulson(1)Hughes(1)and S. Williams(2)with Britton being outstanding.
Burwood's goals were scored by A. Dunne and J. Dunne.

Dudley Athletic were formed on 21st July,1894. Their first match was against Adamstown's Reserves which Dudley won 1x0. However, in the return match on 28th July, Adamstown No,1 team defeated Dudley 6x2.

It was an historical year, too, for the Rosebud Club, whose membership now totalled 62 players; mainly due to the cessation of activities at the Hamilton, Burwood and Greta mines.

Trouble was brewing, though over the dual entry from Minmi Rangers and Minmi Thistles.
Minmi Rangers decided to compete in the State Cup(Gardiner) series and the Ellis Cup but not the Badge competition.
Therefore, there were only four entries in the Badge-Minmi Thistles, Adamstown Rosebud, Wallsend Rovers, and Young Wallsend. After the completion of six games, Adamstown and Minmi Thistles had finished equal on nine points.
In the final, Adamstown defeated Thistles 2x1. The same teams contested the Ellis Cup Final but not without protests and much bitterness.
The first clash ended in a 1x1 draw with George for

Adamstown and Needs for the Thistles being the scorers,.

In the replay, Minmi Thistles defeated Adamstown Rosebud with a Thistle player Cummock, suffering a broken leg, during the game, Adamstown, however submitted a protest; the point being.

1) Adamstown was not allowed a goal scored in the first half.

The Jackson Brothers played in Hamilton Athletic Colours.
 Minmi Thistles winning goal was scored from an offside position.

4) The Referee did not allow for Minmi Thistles wasting time.

While Nos.1,3, and 4 points were dismissed, it was decided to replay the final with the total "gate" going towards a fund for the Minmi Thistles player who broke his leg in the first game.

Referee's Myers and Bailey refused to officiate so a third official, Mr.J.Burns, was appointed and accepted. On the question of colours, it was made clear that Hamilton's colours were White Shirt with Blue sash, While Minmi Thistles were blue shirt with white sash. Adamstown gave a further /10 pounds to the Cummock appeal.

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1894

Sydney v Newcastle

J. Clayton (Adamstown) J. Hickey (Parkgrove)

A.Banner(Parkgrove) J.McCroarie(Capt(Minmi Rangers)

R. Hitchens (Capt) Pyr. Rangers) A. Jackson (Wallsend)

H.Bryant

J.Dear(Sydney Thistles)
R.Fox(Pyrmont Rangers) J. Jackson (Wallsend) J. Caddis (Minmi Rangers) J. Ferguson (Balmain) H.Muir(Sydney Thistles) T. Needs (Minmi Rangers)

J.Martin(Pyrmont Rangers) J. Curran (Minmi Rangers)

G.Miller(Wallsend) W.Figures(Parkgrove) A.Morgan(Pyrmont Rangers) J. George (Adamstown)

A. Rae (Merewether Advance) L. Hardy (Pyrmont Rangers)

Referee J.Logan

Old Merewether

(From the records of the late Jonathan Dixon)

N the year 1834, an advertisement appeared in the Government Gazette:— "12 August, 1834, Northumberland: Newcastle 300, three hundred acres more or less bounded on the west by a line commencing at the A.A. Coy's. southern boundary and running south to the northern corner pin of the 40 acres intended for the Glebe and part of the south-eastern boundary of the same; thence by the first line continued south to the sea coast; on the south-east by the sea coast to the Company's southern boundary running west until it meets the line first described. Applied for by A. W. Scott."

This land came into the possession of Mr. Alexander Walter Scott, and later became known as Crown Grant 456 acres. It will be noted that the Gazette stated the area to be 300 acres, more or less.

In the year 1835 an advertisement appeared in the Government Gazette of July 29: "42. Northumberland, 900, nine hundred acres, more or less; near the town of Newcastle; bounded on the east by the land of A. W. Scott, Esq.; on the north by the Australian Agricultural Company's Grant of 2000 acres, about seventy chains on the west by the Government, and on the south by the Ocean and salt water lake. Applied for by James Mitchelh" This block was secured by Dr. James Mitchell and later became known as Crown Grant of 950 acres.

At the southern extremity of this block is the well-known Lagoon, called in the advertisement the salt water lake. On the west of this block there was a Government area of about seventy chains in length. This was secured by Dr. Mitchell and became known as Crown Grant of 413 acres 3 roods. To the north of this there was a piece of land, wedged in between it and the southern boundary of what is now the Municipality of Adamstown. This was of 100 acres and was owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Muir. Dr. Mitchell was able to add this to his holding. Lockyer Street runs through this 100 acre block, but before the street was formed it was a bush track known as the Road to Fairfield, a farm holding on the western side of the present Adamstown-Belmont railway. To the south of, and adjoining the 413 acres 3 roods block, there was an area of 287 acres 2 roods held by the Government, and known as block 33b.

The first mentioned area, that of Mr. A. W. Scott, came into the possession of Dr. Mitchell and was added to the areas already held, the whole of the amalgamated area being named the Burwood Estate.

Commencing in the area formerly held by Mrs. Muir, and running southward to join the Government area, 33b, is the land acquired by the Commonwealth Government for a rifle range, the area being a little over 231 acres. During the late World War buildings of all descriptions were erected for the purpose of housing soldiers and recruits. All that is to be seen to-day is part of the concrete foundations.

About the year 1844 a tunnel was opened out for the production of coal in what we know as Happy Valley, being a prolongation of the present Mitchell Street. This was operated by William Donaldson. This tunnel was eventually driven right through the hill.

In the re-match, the scorers were Martin(2) and Bartley(1) for Adamstown while Needs was the sole scorer for Minmi. The result was Adamstown 3 defeated Minmi Thistles 1. At the presentation of the trophy, well over 50 Minmi Thistles supporters grouped together and drowned out the voices of the speakers by chanting "protests", A pioneer of the town, "Scotty" McBlane, criticised the action of the Association in yielding to the demands of Adamstown officials and giving way on such a trivial protest...the colours of the two players. McBlane said later, "I saw the game and this (the colours) DID NOT ALTER OR AFFECT the play in any way;".

Minmi Thistles Secretary's only remark was "Give them a set of putty medals".

1894 Badge Series	Adamstown Rosebud	Minmi Thistles	Wallsend Rovers	Young Wallsend	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	x	2-1, 0-1	2-1, 3-1	3-2, 2-2	9
Minmi Thistles	1-2,1-0	х	3-3, 2-1	4-2, 3-1	9
Wallsend Rovers	1-2, 1-3	3-3, 1-2	×	3-3, 2-1	4
Young Wallsend	2-3, 2-2	2-4, 1-3	3-3, 1-2	x	2

		Ellis Cuj	S	eries	
	Round.1.	Adamstown Rosebud	4	v Minmi Rangers	2
		Minmi Thistles			1
	Final	Adamstow Rosebud	1	v Minmi Thistles	1
,	Replay		2	v Adamstown Rosebud	1
		Adamstown		w Minmi Thistles	1

1895 Season President.R.Galloway Secretary.David Ellis Williams Treasurer.H.Brien

The two Minmi clubs remained very bitter over the treatmeant given to Minmi Thistles. Minmi Thistles disbanded and Minmi Rangers absorbed all the available stars. A large meeting in the town decided to nominate Minmi Rangers into the Sydney Badge competition. As soon as this became known, Adamstown Rosebud also submitted a similar entry. This turmoil stirred the executive.

Only four teams entered the seniors. A junior grade was formed and attracted 16 teams. A new club was formed at Broadmeadow in May, and a suitable ground was secured opposite the Premier Hotel.

Final points in the Badge Series were Adamstown Rosebud(10) Wallsend Rovers(8) Minmi Rangers(2)Merewether Advance(2) In the final, Adamstown Rosebud defeated Wallsend Rovers(1x0) in a very thrilling match

Far greater interest, however, was manifested in the Ellis Cup knock-out series.
The first attempt to get a result in the final between Minmi Rangers and Adamstown was a scoreless draw. 14 days later, a second match also failed to find a winner with a 1x1 draw. The second replay proved to be a real thriller with the score at the end of 90 minutes play, 2x2. Referee H.Brien ordered that extra time be played. Minmi Rangers players walked to the sidelines, "but the Adamstown team centred the ball and started to play."
This fired the whole atmosphere with intense excitement. The Minmi players dashed back onto the ground and both

teams were at it in earnest. Finally, Waite of Minmi scored the winning goal.

Minmi Rangers Team
J.McCroarie
J.Curran
J.Stevenson
Shepperd
Cummock
Caddis
Davies
Needs
Waite
Currie
Hancock

Adamstown Rosebud Team
J.Waugh
W.Waugh(Capt)
Clayton
Lunch
Embleton
Wilson
Jennings
Bartley
Martin
Galloway
George

Referee H.Brien

1895 Badge Series	Adamstown Rosebud	Mere ther Advance	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	×	2-0, 3-2	2-1, 2-2	3-2, 2-2	10
Mere ^s ther Advance	0-3, 2-3	X	1-1, 2-2	1-2, 2-3	2
Minmi Rangers	1-2, 2-2	1-1, 2-2	×	1-1, 2-3	4
Wallsend Rovers	2-3, 2-2	2-1, 3-2	1-1, 3-2	×	8

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1895		
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	Minmi Rangers	I v Herewecher Advance
Replay	Minmi Rangers	1 v Merewether Advance 0
	Adamstown Rosebud	4 v Wallsend Rovers 2
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	Minmi Rangers(Bye)	
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Final		
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Replay		
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	Representative Matc	nes
Later in	this season, two repre	esentative games were played
between	Sydney and Newcastle.	at the Showeround 17/8/1895
The firs	t match, played in Sydn	ney at the Showground 17/8/1895
ended in	a 2x2 draw.	
Newcast1	•	Sydney 2
J. Clayto	n(Adamstown)	J. Hickey (Parkgrove)
J. McCroa	rie(Capt)Minmi Rgs)	R.Hitchens(Capt)Pyrmont Rangers)
Arch Jac	kson(Wallsend)	A.Banner(Parkgrove)
H. Bryant		J.Dean(Pyrmont Rangers)
J. Jackso	n(Wallsend)	R.Fox(Pyrmont Rangers)
J. Caddis		J.Ferguson(Balmain)
T. Needs (Minmi Rangers)	H.Muir(Thistles) J.Martin(Pyrmont Rangers)
Jimmy Cu		W.Figures(Parkgrove)
G.Miller		A.Morgan(Pyrmont Rangers)
J. George	(Sdamstown)	L. Hardy(Pyrmont Rangers)
A.Rae(Me	rewether Advance) Referee J.	
	Keleree J.	Logan
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In the r	eturn match at Newcast	tle on 14/9/1895 we see v Sydney 0
Newcastl		
Hanco	ock(Minmi Rags)	O'Connell(Balmain
A.Jackso	on(Wallsend Rovers)	J.Gibson(Balmain)
W. Harris	son(Wallsend Rovers)	A. Tomb(Balmain) R. Thornburn(Balmain)
J.McCros	arie(Minmi Rangers) (Adamstown)	W. Johnson (Sydney Thistles)
Lynch	on(Wallsend Rovers)	J.Logan(Balmain)
T Noods	(Minmi Rangers)	H.Muir(Sydney Thistles
Limmy C.	rran(Minmi Rangers)	W. Figures (Parkgrove)
I Harris	son(Wallsend Rovers)	A. Hargreaves (Pyrmont Voluntees)
J. George	(Adamstown)	A. Morgan (Pyrmony Rangers)
A. Rae (Me	erewether Advance)	Whitemarsh (Parkgrove)
	Refere	ee.H.Brien
Noussant	le 's Scorers were Jimi	my Curran(3) and J.Harrison(2)
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1896 Season President.Dr W.Clarke Secretary.H.Brien

Committee.

D.E. Williams, T. Wilson, J. Cullen, J. Cleary, Thomas Marshall, James Cook, J. W. Bailey.

Sport, as well as business, was seriously affected by the miners' strike and a recession in the industry. A special meeting was held to enquire into the need of football in Newcastle.

This committee produced a comprehensive report but many of its recommendations were ignored or never implemented. Mr Denton donated a new trophy. "THE DENTON CUP", which was set aside for the premiership. However, there were only three entries for the Badge Series; Adamstown Rosebud, Merewether Advance and Minmi Rangers,

The Final points score below tell the story

1896 Denton Cup P'ship	Adamstown Rosebud	Mere ther Advance	Minmi Rangers	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	х	3-1, 4-1	2-0, 3-0	8
Mereither Advance	1-3, 1-4	x	3-3, 1-1	2
Minmi Rangers	0-2, 0-3	3-3, 1-1	x	2

In the semi final Merewether Advance defeated Minmi Rangers Adamstown Rosebud(Bye)

Final

Adamstown Rosebud

J. Waugh

J. Harrison

W. Harrison

D. Wilson

Gillard E.Bartley

Pridue Martin

J. George

Hamilton R. Waugh

Adamstown entered the Gardiner Cup, but were eliminated by Balmain 4x0.

5 v Merewether Advance 1

The standard of play in Newcastle and club organisation left much to be desired. The Newcastle Morning Herald reported on the 10/5/1896 that the British Football Association has appeared to have fallen flat.... probably due to the fact that the game is played mainly by miners".

Ellis Cup series.

Semi Final .

Merewether Advance 2 v Minmi Rangers 1 Adamstown Rosebud(Bye)

Final

Adamstown Rosebud 5 v Merewether Advance 1

SCOTTISH BORN V ENGLISH BORN on 16/6/1896 the Sydney Association held trials before the selection of a team to play Victoria.

Scottish Team
W.Mair(Caledonians)
C,Mather(Caledonians)
W.Baillie(Granville)
J.Picken(Granville)
W.Coombs(Caledonians)
J.Greigg(Caledonians)
C.Stephens(Caledonians)
W.A.Muir(Caledonians)
F.Adams(Granville)
W.Johnson(Caledonians)
A.Irvine(Caledonians)

English Team
T.Heathcote(Granville)
H.Capper(Canterbury)
A.E.Moss(The Wanderers)
R.Walker(Granville)
J.White(Canterbury)
F.Mer'edith(Canterbury)
H.Weymess(Canterbury)
J.Smith(Canterbury)
J.Wyke(Canterbury)
J.Parnall(The Wanderers)
J.Winters(Granville)

Referee A.Miller President NSW Association

Many players and their families left Newcastle and headed for the gold fields in Western Australia where work was readily available.

A press reference noted that a Southern Cross West.

Australian match was played in june between an ex-Minmi X1 and an ex-Adamstown X1 which ended in a 2x2 draw.

NEW CLUB FORMED AT GRETA
A new club was formed just outside of Maitland near
East Greta Railway Station Called "East Greta".
The first match for this club was against Greta;
East Greta winning 4x0. This new club catered generally
for local youths or sons of migrants. There were renewed
efforts by enthusiasts to foster the game and brighter
trade prospects were a big help.

Hamilton Athletic Team
J.Dixon, J.Orr, D.Aitken, W.Mason, J.Flemming, J.Welsh,
A.Jackson, R.Jackson, D.Liddle, J.Brown, R.Richmond, D.Smart,
F.Renman, J.Davidson, C.Dunlop, J.Rice, D.Houston, W.Lithgow,
J.Millar, D.Millar, J.McLeary, F.Maxwell, J.Berrage.

Southern Teams
Balmain, Pyrmont Rangers, Sydney Thistles, and Pyrmont
Voluntees.
Balmain played in its new strip of blue and gold for the
first time on the 29/5/1896.
A combined Sydney team defeated a team from a visiting
British Fleet 6x4
The result of the Sydney Kerr Cup, saw Balmain defeat
Pyrmont Voluntees 3x2. Scorers for Balmain were Hotson, Dick,
and Banner, While J. White score both goals for the Voluntees.
December 2nd, 11 Miners killed in Stockton mine explosion.



Back.Row.Bob Hunter, James Bone (Trn) James Bartley, Chas Welham, Harry Dempsey, Dave Waugh, Dave Wilson Eddie Barley, J. D. Hamilton, Middle Row. Bob Waugh, Dave Harris, George Nichols(Capt) R.R. Elgey, Dick Tarrant.

Front Row. George Lee, Joe Waugh, (Mascot) Bob Talbot.

EAST GRETA

Early in April. 1896, a group of 22 miners met in the Cricket Ground near the East Greta Railway Station to form a Soccer Club.

The inaugural officials were: President, Mr. R. Cartwright; Secretary, Mr. T. Cantwell; Treasurer, Mr. A. Coulton.

The following players were registered in the third grade Newcastle competition: R. Cartwright, W. Muir, A. Coulton, R. Parkes, R. Waugh, Searston, A. Stagg, C. Stagg, J. Downie, T. Cantwell, F.

Genge, T. Dodd, J. Porter, W. Coulton, G. Rosser, J. Currie, J. Cook, J. Jones, W. Lindsay, W. Miller, A. Parker, J. Ballard.

The first match played at East Greta was against Greta. It drew

a crowd of 500 and was won by the locals by 3 to 2. A return match at Greta saw the result reversed for Greta won by 3 to 2. These

games were great social events for both centres.

In 1902, the club had T. Cantwell as secretary and used black with gold hoops as its colours. New players included J. Lord, J. Smith, M. Smith, H. Jowett, W. Jowett, A. Lavender, L. Bunn, W. Hinman and C. Cartwright.

The club's home ground proved too small and visiting teams often complained about the uneven surface.

At the annual meeting in March. 1903, the club decided to join with a new club at Heddon Greta, where there was a much better ground near the local hotel. During the 1916-1920 period, the club fielded junior teams including the Hoskins, Tiedman, Jowett brothers and all top-notch players.

1897 Season President.Dr.Clarke

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New Club Formed Across Newcastle Harbour. A new club was formed at the General Washington Hotel 20/4/1897 at Stockton.

President.D.McAuliffe
Secretary.J.D.Hamilton
Treasure. T.Johnstone
The Club colours would be Sky Blue Shirt with white Braces.
Their first match was at Carrington on the 24/4/1897.
Where it deafeated Carrington Blackwatch 2x0.
The return match ended in 1x1 draw.

The Big News For The Season
West Wallsend Athletic notified the NDBFA that it had
changed its name to West Wallsend Bluebells and its new
colours would be Royal Blue Shirt, White Trim and White
Shorts.
Under this new name, West Wallsend Bluebells (Westy) gained

Under this new name, West Wallsend Bluebells (westy) gained much prestige and would soon be one of the most powerful teams in Australia; winning almost every competition it entered.

The Denton Cup this year attracted five entrants and the results are as follows:

1897 Denton Cup Piship	Adamstown Rosebud	Mere ther Advance	Minmi Rangers	Wallsend Rovers	West Wallsend Bluebells	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	x	1-0	1-2	0-2	1-0	4
Mere'ther Advance	0-1	×	3-3	0-4	1-2	. 1
Minmi Rangers	2-1	3-3	x	2-3	0-2	3
Wallsend Rovers	2-0	4-0	3-2	X	0-1	6
West Wallsend Bluebells	0-1	2-1	2-0	1-0	х	6

Wallsend Rovers and West Wallsend Bluebells met at the Newcastle Cricket Ground in the Final of the Cup, with West Wallsend defeating it's neighbour Wallsend Rovers 1xO. The teams would be.

1897 1 v Wallsend West Wallsend Bluebells Sid Henwood Peter Bowling W. Harrison R. Harden Sid Neal Jimmy Curran J. Harrison Richardson Horrie Pridue Leckie Jackson D. Maunder Miller Paterson R. Brooks Robertson Cherry Harrison Haddow Dempsey(1) R. White Brennan

Ellis Cup

In the Ellis Cup, an entry from the Pyrmont Voluntees in Sydney was received and accepted. When the draw revealed that Wallsend would meet the Voluntees, The Wallsend Club offered to play the tie in Sydney, where they gained much prestige by holding the Pyrmont Boy's to a 2x2 draw. In the replay at Wallsend a very large crowd saw Wallsend Bolshies go down 3x1.

In the semi final, Minmi Rangers beat Adamstown Rosebud 2x1, while Pyrmont Voluntees thrashed Minmi Rangers 5x1 The teams were

Minmi Rangers 1 v Py
J.Hancock
W.McCroarie
Shepperd
Davis
McBlane
Murdock
Cummock
Muir
T.Needs(1)
J.Stevenson
Waite

1 v Pyrmont Voluntees 5
Radcliffe
Martin
Banner
Davies
Watson
B.Shaw
Trentholme(2)
Vassila(1)
Keough
W.Carey
C.White(2)

, J. Fogo

alsend Rovers 2nd X1

1897 Kow.

1897Row.

Boanter(Umpire)A. Henwood(Secretary)J. Fletcher(V. President)[epplewhite] J.B.McAuliffe(V.President)S.Neal(Treasurer)

Middle Row.
Robert White(Captain)G.Wells,G.Wilson,T.Hepplewhite,

Front Row.

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H. Humphries, H. Jobling, A. Begbie, G. Jackson, J. Fogo.

Mascots not known.

. (Please note the initials on the shirts)



Sid Neal(Treasurer)
Middle Row.Robert White(Capt)G.Wells,G.Wilson,,T.Hepplewhite
A.Roy,J.Jobling

Front Row.H.Humphries, H.Jobling, A.Begbie, G.Jackson, J.Fogo (Mascots not known.
""Please note the players initials on the shirts.







order of name to be checked out.

The team is

P. Bowling R. Harden J Curren Richardson

Leckie J. Maunder Peterson J. Robertson

Harrison Dempsey Brennam

1897 W.W. B.B.F.C

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THE NORTH: CHAMPIONS OF

This photograph was taken on June 3, West Wallsend 1898. It shows the Bluebells soccer Northern champions in 1897, the year the team, who were the club changed its Wallsend Athletic (formed in 1891) to days after this picname from West the Bluebells. A few ture was taken Balgownie, the Westy Bluebells were at home to champions of the South Coast. The on, as a report of the period put it, 'as a test twixt north and game was looked south'. Balgownie won 3-2 in what was described

as a 'fast and

exciting game.



PATERSON J. ROBERTSON RICHARDSON R. HARDEN J. CURRAN J. MAUNDER P. BOWLING LECKI

DEMPSEY HARRISON

1898 Season President.W. Denton Secretary. Jack Harrison Treasurer. J. Bone

The Annual General Meeting early in March, disclosed the best financial position for many years. The Sydney administrators informed the northern association that a State team would visit Queensland during August and it was hoped to include several Newcastle Players.

INTERNAL DISPUTE WITHIN WALLSEND. The Wallsend Club suffered from an internal dispute, resulting in Secretary J. Symes nominating Wallsend in both the Denton and Gardiner Cups as well as the Ellis Cup. In the Gardiner Challenge Cup, Wallsend's entry was late and so the Sydney administrators rejected it. They were told, however, "THAT IF THEY NOMINATED AS A NEW CLUB, THEN THEIR ENTRY WOULD BE ACCEPTED. (This is important to remember).

DENTON CUP

The Denton Cup Final was won by West Wallsend Bluebells who beat Minmi Rangers 2x0.

Brown

West Wallsend Team 2 v Minmi Rangers Richardson Hancock P. Bowling McCroarie F. Leckie Shepperd R. Harden Williams Harris McBlane D. Maunder Patrick J. Curran(1) Murnane M. Burrell Davies Brennan Muir Harrison(1) Sneddon R. Leckie

1898 Denton Cup P'ship	Adamstown Rosebud	Minml. Rangers	Newcastle West (Wallsend Rovers)	West Wallsend Bluebells	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	x	1-2, 1-2	2-3, 2-2	1-3, 2-4	1
Minmi Rangers	2-1, 2-1	x	3-2, 2-1	2-2, 2-2	10
Newcastle West (Wallsend Rovers)	3-2, 2-2	2-3, 1-2	x	2-3, 0-2	3
West Wallsend Bluebells	3-1, 4-2	2-2, 2-2	3-2, 2-0	×	10

and J.Symes.

Ellis Cup series
Semi Finals Minmi Rangers 1 v West Wallsend Bluebells (
Newcastle West 1 v Adamstown Rosebud (

Final Minmi Rangers won on Forfeit **Note Newcastle West(Wallsend Rovers)

The Ellis Cup Final had a very disappointing ending as Minmi Rangers were awarded the medals from the Committee room. The final between Minmi Rangers and Newcastle West (Wallsend Rovers) was listed for the Cricket Ground on 8/10/1898. with the kick off scheduled for 3.00pm. The teams assembled but two junior finals had delayed play by one and a half hours.

The Newcastle West team(Wallsend Rovers) thinking that the senior game was postponed, left the ground. However, Minmi rangers took the field, scored the unnecessary goal, won the match and then claimed the medals. (it's important to note here that had Minmi Rangers kicked off and missed the goal, then the match would have ended in a scoreless draw, as no-one could have restarted the game.

The State Association, which was operating for the first time, staged a series of inter-district games to help State Selectors.

In these games, Newcastle beat South Coast 2x0 and Sydney defeated Newcastle 3x1. Sydney then played a 1x1 draw with a combined Newcastle/South Coast side.
Four Newcastle players consequently won State Selection to play against Queensland; A.Bailey, A.Jackson, W. Harrison.

In the first match NSW defeated Queensland 3x2. But Queensland won the next match 3x1.

Gardiner Cup
Three northern clubs entered the Gardiner Challenge Cup.
West Wallsend Bluebells was knocked out in the first round
by Balgownie 3x2.

Newcastle West(Wallsend Rovers) beat Adamstown Rosebud 3x1, having played a 2x2 draw in their first encounter. Newcastle West(Wallsend Rovers) entered the final by defeating Balgownie 3x2 in Sydney. However in the Final

Pyrmont Voluntees 3 v Newcastle West(Wallsend Rovers T. Hooke A.Baillie R. Martin A. Jackson A. Banner H. Humphris J. Train S. Watson T. Harrison F. Davis R. Brookes A. Trentholme W. Harrison B. L. Shaw S. Henwood C. White J. Symes J. Carey S.Miller W. Banner D. Jackson

Referee G. Dunn

"It has often been said that Wallsend Rovers never won nor played in a Gardiner Cup Final. Well,I guess they didn't; Not under the name of Wallsend Rovers, anyway.
But indeed under the name of Newcastle West?

Representative Match. Newcastle 1 v Sydney Bob Elgey T. Hooke A.Jackson J. Gibson A.Banner F.Bartley S. Watson D. Jackson W. Harrison M.Mills T. Harrison J. Hutton J. Trentholme

J.Symes J.Trentholmo
J.Harrison G.Hotson(1)
E.Bartley C.White(1)
J.K.Harrison J.Carey(1)

D.Hamilton(1) C.Harrison Referee G.D.Gunn

In the special combined Newcastle/South Coast v Sydney the teams were

Newcastle/South Coast 1 v Sydney A.Baillie(Newcastle) T. Hooke A. Jackson (Newcastle) A. Banner J. Gibson C. York (South Coast) J.Symes(Newcastle) S. Watson Vassella W. Harrison (Newcastle)1) J. Hutton Davis(South Coast) J. Trentholme W.Banner(South Coast) Frost(South Coast)
H.Humphris(Newcastle) C. White Fitzsimmons(South Coast) J.Carey(1)
Rae(South Coast) C.Harrison Rae(South Coast)

R. Harden (Newcastle)

Referee E.Lyons.

QUEENSLAND Tour

A NSW team toured Queensland where they played two matches In the first game NSW defeated Queensland 3x2 Queensland winning the second match 3x2.

The NSW players were A.Baillie(Newcastle West)
J.Gibson(Balmain, A.Jackson(Newcastle West, Capt)
S.Watson(Pyrmont Voluntees, W.Harrison(Newcastle West, J.Symes(Newcastle West)A.Rae(Balgownie)C.York(Balgownie)
T.Hobson(Pyrmont Rangers)J.Trentholme(Pyrmont Voluntees)
D.Taylor(Sydney)C.Harrison(Sydney)

Queensland visited Sydney for one match for a 2x1 win.

At a Meeting in Sydney during the year the NSW British Association elected 8 legislators to control football within NSW.

They were.D.H.Easton, T.A.Clyne, J.Logan all of Sydney)
W.Denton, Jack Harrison and J.Bone(Newcastle)
R.Vardy and Mr Simms of South Coast.

On the 28th March this year, a massive mine explosion occurred at the Dudley Colliery caused by Gas. The mine had been idle for a number of days and was being prepared for work, when on the Monday morning at 9am, the mine exploded.

The explosion could be heard six miles away and 15 miners were killed.

They were G. Hindmarsh, (Underground Manager)

T. Young, T. Hetherington, W. Rudge, T. Jones, W. McDougall,

T. Haddon, T. Dorrity, A. Durtain, G. Cook, J. Benson, T. Green W. Humphreys, S. Price, A. Mowbray.

Also on the 29th October, three miners were killed in the East Greta mine disaster.

The Sydney Morning Herald reports of the 2/5/1898

BRITISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION. The second annual meeting of the inter-provincial board of the British Football Association of New South Wales was held at the Grand Hotel, New-coatle, 7 stordey afterboon. The representatives in attendance were:—Sydney, Mesers. Clyns, Easton, and Logan: South Coast, Mr. Vardy: Newcastle, Mr. Deuton. Offers were received from the New Zealand and Queenaland associations, and after a langthy discussion it was resolved to accept the offer made by Queenaland to despatch a team to New South Wales in July next. The terms mentioned were expenses and 25 per cent. of the takings. It was decided that a series of test matches should be played on the Sydney Cricket Ground as follows:—North v. South Coast, Winners v. Sydney, and Winners v. a Combined Team Mears. Logan, Vardy, and Deuton were appointed a selected president, is order that the conditions in crury district might be uniform, to adopt the laws of the game at revised by the International board of Great Britain. Mr. W. R. Denton was elected president, and Mr. Logan secretary. At the conclusion of the recognized the visitors thanked the Northern Law classifier the printers thanked the Northern Law classifier the printers thanked the Northern Law classifier delayable were safertained at a European.

1899 Season President.W.Denton Secretary. Jack Harrison Treasurer.P.Strachan

This proved to be a very uneventful season with interest at an all time low. For months, only two entries were received for the Denton Cup series, West Wallsend and Adamstown; To provide more interest, West Wallsend entered a "B" team, This allowed the premiership proceed with three entries. At the end of a 12 week season the point score read West Wallsend "A" (8) Adamstown(3) West Wallsend"(B) 1. To finalise a very unhappy season, the Association decided to put both the Denton and Ellis Cups up with medals in the one final, which was played at the Newcastle Cricket Ground in August. The game proved to be a real surprise, however, drawing a crowd of 2000 people who saw West Wallsend Bluebells"A" DEFEAT Adamstown O. The game, though, will be remembered as Brolgey Elgey final. for the rugged Adamstown keeper was in majestic form. He stopped two "spot" kicks as well as dozens more It was well into the second half before the winning goal

was scored by Stankhouse.

West Wallsend (A) M.Burrell Jackson J. Durie R. Harden M.Martin D.Maunder Leckie Stankhouse Robertson R. Durie Howie

1 v Adamstown Brolgey Elgey Maxwell Harris F. Bartley E. Talbot T. Wilson A. Talbot T. Harrison Chapman Mastman J. Harrison

Gardiner Cup Both West Wallsend and Adamstown entered the Gardiner Cup series. Adamstown gave an inglorious display, submitting meekly to Pyrmont Voluntees 5x1, The only redeeming feature was the skilful display by a local youth, Skinner Maxwell. However, West Wallsend thrashed a Balmain "B" side 8x0 with Howie scoring 5 goals. In the closely fought semi final, West Wallsend went down to Balgownie 1x0. Five Junior clubs came into existence during the year. They were Great Boulders, Teralba Advance, Greta Comers, Patent Rollers, and Hamilton.

WEST WALLSEND BLUEBELLS FOOTBALL CLUB. Gardiner and Ellis Cup Winners 1899-1900-1901



The Cups on the table are Left to Right, Gardiner=Ellis Cups.

West Wallsend record to date is Gardiner Cup.1900, 1901,1921,1923,1924,1926.

Runners Up.1902.1915,1919,1922.

Ellis Cup Record 1899,1900,1901,1902,1919,1921,1925,1926.

Sydney Competition
In Southern NSW the teams were Balmain "A", Balmain "B"
Pyrmont Rangers, Pyrmont Voluntees,

In The Southern Kerr Cup Final; Balmain "A" 3 v Pyrmont Voluntees C

The State Association Annual meeting held in Wollongong on the 4th May elected a new secretary Mr John Logan.

Representative Fixtures

During a tour to Queensland NSW 3 defeated Queensland 2 in its second match Queensland defeated NSW 3x2.

NSW Defeated Ipswich Rovers 9x0 and West Moreton 3x0.

In a representative game between Newcastle and the South Coast on June 10, Newcastle won 2x0.

The Newcastle team was Bob"Brolgey"Elgey, F. Bartley, A. Jackson, R. Harden(Capt) W. Harrison, D. Maunder, E. Bartley, R. Leckie, J. Muir, J. Hamilton, T. Harrison, J. Davis.

Player Register.

Adamstown Rosebud
R.Elgey, F. Bartley, E. Bartley, W. Hanford, Harris, R. Waugh,
T. Harrison, J. Harrison, R. Robinson, J. George, R. Talbot, R. Martin
J. Maxwell, J. Hamilton, T. Wilson, E. Talbot, Chapman, A. Talbot
Mastman.

Hamilton Kinder, Sharpe, Robinson, Roach, Wooley, Mowatt, Stott, Green, Williams, Pringle, Hughes, Booth, Hedley.

Merewether Advance J.McLelland, W.Smith, N.Turpin, P.Hall, G.Jackson, W.Sneddon J.Pryor, E.Burston, S.McLeary, J.Hamilton, T.Bland.

Broadmeadow
J.Atkinson, D.Harrison, J.Filby, D.Waugh, W.Thornton, J.Beddow,
E.Harvey, A.McNaughton, J.Nix, D.Murchie, R.Date, D.Gremyn
J.Drain, B.Howie

West Wallsend Bluebells
M.Burrell, A.Jackson, J.Durie, R.Harden, M.Martin, D.Maunder
R.Leckie, F.Leckie A.Howie, Stankhouse, Robertson, R.Durie
B.Howie.

**PLease note 11 miners were killed 22nd June in the Hamilton Mine disaster.

Dentari Cup Pahip	Adamstown Rosebud	West Wallsend Bluebells	Westy 18:11	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	х .	1-5, 1-3	3-2, 1-1	3
West. Wallsend Stuebells	5-1, 3-1	х	3-0, 4-1	8
Wasty 18"	2-3, 1-1	0-3, 1-4	x	1

Lake Macquarie

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SUBJECT: JOHNSTON PARK

Dear Mr Rowe

Recent Council investigations have revealed that the home ground of the West Wallsend Soccer Club is in fact Johnston Park not Johnson as it has been previously known.

Records show in the mid to late 1800's the Johnston Family leased "The Park" from the Coal Company, cleared the land of timber and marked out a soccer field. From then on it was known as Johnston Park.

Council advise that the official name of your home ground off Laidley Street West Wallsend is now Johnston Park and further advise you to inform the Northern NSW Soccer Federation to update their records.

I trust this is of assistance and should you require further information or clarification on this matter please do not hesitate to contact me on 4921 0579.

Yours faithfully

CHRIS MINER

C.M.

PARK LIAISON OFFICER (WEST)

COMMUNITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

1900 Season

President/s.W.Denton-Jas Robertson Secretary.Jack Harrison Treasurer.P.Strachan

The NDBFA officials faced a major problem at the AGM as to whether to grade clubs and thereby strengthen the senior grade or to continue to allow clubs to nominate for any ranking they wished. In addition, the junior ranking was becoming top heavy.

Both President/s and Secretary supported the idea of freedom for the clubs but stated that if officials found clubs stacking teams to win medals, then prompt and determined action would be taken, However, despite prolonged discussion and lobbying, only West Wallsend and Adamstown entered both the Denton and Ellis Cups.

Before the season opened, West Wallsend Bluebells notified the association of their new ground.

It was through the generosity of local businessman and sportsman Mr Ackroyd, that allowed the ground to be obtained at no cost to the West Wallsend Club, and that ground is still used today in the year 2000.

The Results of matches are.

1900 Denton Cup Piship	Adamstown Rosebud	Wallsend Rovers	West Wallsend Bluebells	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	x	1-2, 0-2	2-3	0
Wallsend Rovers	2-1, 2-0	x	1-2, 1-0	6
West Wallsend Bluebells	3-2	2-1, 0-1	x	4

In the Denton Cup Final on the 25th August at Newcastle Cricket Ground, Wallsend Rovers caused a sensation by beating West Wallsend Bluebells 5x2.

The Teams were

Wallsend Rovers

J. Hancock

J.Miller

D. Jackson

R. Brookes

W. Harrison (Capt)

J. Jobling

H. Humphries(1)

J. Wishardt(1)

J. Harrison(1)

P. Pridue(1)

S. Henwood(1)

5 v West Wallsend Bluebells 2

M. Burrell

F.Leckie

A. Muir

D. Maunder

R. Harden (Capt)

W. Teasdale

R.Leckie

. Lecki

Howie

J. Curran(1)

J.Robertson(1)

C. Swan

1900 Denton Cup(Premiers) Wallsend Rovers



1900 Denton Cup(Premiers) Wallsend Rovers



Back Row:

J Miller, R Brooks, SJ Henwood (Treasurer), J Hancock,

Front Row:

W. Harrison (Capt) D. Jackson, J. Jobling R Pridue, H Humphries, J Harrison (Secretary) J. Wishart

Gardiner Cup West Wallsend proved to be the team of the season, Even the Sydney critics were predicting that the Bluebells would win their first Gardiner Cup. After its convincing 6-4 win over the strong Balgownie X1,it had to survive a 1-1 draw in the semi-final against Balmain before taking care of them in the replay, 2-1. Both games were played in Sydney. Before the coveted trophy landed in Westy, however, the team had to meet Pyrmont Voluntees twice at the University Oval in Sydney. The first clash ended in a 3-3 draw but the BLUEBELLS SHOWED SKILL AND DETERMINATION to win the replay 4-1. The "gate" netted 55 pounds & sixpence from the admission charged for men. Ladies were admitted free. The Referee, Mr. J. Freguson of Sydney, was reported as saying, "I've never seen better teamwork in this fair land than that shown by the West Wallsend Bluebells. Howie, Harden Curran and Maunder were great. "The win produced the most enthusiastic scenes when the players returned by rail to Cockle Creek Railway Station. When skipper, Bob Harden, produced the famous Gardiner Cup, the crowd roared their appreciation. Trophies were presented later at the Victory Ball, It was evident that West Wallsend had now taken over the crown which eight years earlier had been won and worn by Minmi Rangers. Another isolated mining centre, unknown outside the coalfields, was now well written into the sporting columns of all important newspapers in the State. West Wallsend's win did more than excite enthusiasm in its own mining town, it created a football fever which spread like an infectious disease to all the small mining centres, where football clubs sprang up like mushrooms after summer rain.

Player Register for 1900 season

Wallsend Rovers-W.Barnett, J.Lidbury, Sid Henwood, R.Pridue J.Wishardt, J.Hancock, A.Roy, H. Humphries, J. Jobling, H. Jobling A. Begbie, J. Harrison, A. Harrison, W. Harrison, R. Brooks, W. Needs, G. Merrion, J. Driver, J. Durie, W. Giles, T. Hepplewhite, G. Wells D. Jackson, J. Miller, A. Stirling, J. Syme, H. Moore, W. Patrick, S. Neal. F. Barrett, G. Wilson, J. Davis, D. Evans, A. Archibald R. Blair, G. Newton

Wallsend Great Boulders.I.Sheldon, H. Hughes, T. Robinson, P. Cadman, P. Conn, H. Parks, W. Parkinson, J. Horne, D. Murray, F. Pond, D. Bower, J. Davies, L. Dawson, W. Paterson, P. Briggs, R. McBlane T. Johnes, W. Parks, A. Pond, T. Hill

Teralba Advance.J.Fulton,G.Blundall,J.Sharpe,J.Williams D.Cherry,R.Hunter,A.Johnson,J.O'Neill,J.McIntosh,G.Nelbum, J.McLaughlin,W.Thomas,F.O'Neill,H.Howell,J.Cherry,A.Pike H.Opher,T.Barnett,W.Hughes,J.Hughes,P.McLaughlin,E.Jepson,C.Johnston,C.Creighton

Greta Cameo 'sE.Allison, Garnett Hodge, Geo Hodge, J. Hodge J. Beatty, F. North, H. Chappell, E. Picken, W. Waugh, J. North W. Dempsey, J. Whalan, F. Chappell, W. Dimmock, E. Minto, C. Hagan. J. Jackson, J. Henderson, G. Reeves, J. Hanley

R.Leckie

In the semi final of the Ellis Cup two weeks later, the Westy Bluebells ran riot to avenge the Cup defeat. The game proved to be a thriller with Wallsend on the receiving end.

After 10 minutes of play, the match was all over bar the final whistle , because Westy led 4 goals to nil. "But by half time Wallsend had struggled back to be down 3x4.

In the second half,R.Leckie,a very fast winger,netted a hattrick and the Bolshies were flattened to the tune of 8x3; a record for a semi final.
On 6th October West Wallsend beat Adamstown in the final by 5x1,this match was played at Wallsend. the line up of both teams were

J. Filby

West Wallsend Bluebells 5 v Adamstown Rosebud M.Burrell R"Brolgey"Elgey E.Bartley H.Muir Watt F. Leckie E. Talbot R. Harden Dempsey W. Teasdale R. Talbot D.Maunder J. Harrison J. Robertson Sparkes J. Curran Brown Howie T. Harrison Swan

FOOTBALL ON THE COALFIELDS.

Soccer had invaded the fringe areas of what we call the South Maitland Coalfields, years before the world famed geologist, Sir Edgeworth David, found coal near Deep Creek at Abermain.

Centres such as Greta and East Greta saw soccer in 1887 and in 1901 respectively, years before the silence of rich coal seams, under virgin bushlands, were awakened from their long slumbers.

When the discovery was made, collieries sprang up at Heddon-Greta, Stanford Merthyr, Pelaw Main, Hebburn, Abermain, Neath, Aberdare and Cessnock.

This industrial area soon attracted workmen and their families, who deserted the dying Minmi and Greta and hit the rough tracks across the hills to Kurri and later to Cessnock. All brought with their chattels, two common bonds — the desire to find permanent employment and the love of soccer.

It is the aim of this project to place on record the birth, the growth and development of soccer on the South Maitland Coalfields.

This has not been easy as few official records have been preserved and months of research have been necessary.

It hopes to record names of players, officials and results — that means history.

The code has experienced its "ups and downs" in its years of existence.

Many declare that its Golden Years lay between 1925 and 1930. The depression of the early thirties, at times, dimmed its lamp of progress to a mere flicker, but in its darkest depression, the loyalty and devotion of a noble band of workers piloted the game through such turbulent waters to calmer seas.

The roots sown by pioneers were deep and secure, for the code is fast regaining its former popularity. A recent survey shows clearly a revival of strength in the junior, juvenile and school ranks where there is a keener appreciation of the arts and skills of the world's most popular code of football.

The trade depression of the thirties drove scores of experienced players to the cities in search of employment. Their soccer prowess was a big asset on their personal references. A noted Coalfield educationalist wrote, "We export, high quality coal — our best brains and our soccer stars".

It would be naive not to admit that the standard of club administration had fallen short of that to be desired but no one could doubt the loyalty and sincerity of the men, who shouldered the task of keeping the soccer flag flying. In this group, there were legions whose names are too many to record — many will remain forgotten. At the peak of its popularity, the Coalfielders despaired by bad and dishonest administration in Newcastle, planted the seed for the birth of the first

State League.

Coalfields' participation in the formation of the State League in 1926-27 was so keen that it is essential to review certain details here.

In 1926, pressure on the N.S.W. Soccer Association in Sydney

In 1926, pressure on the N.S.W. Soccer Association in Sydney forced that body to set up two committees to submit reports on this demand for reform.

 The Association Committee of Messrs. S. H. Stack, C. P. Dixon, S. A. Storey, P. J. Shepherd, H. Reay — to present the anti-State League Case.

(2) Clubs' Committee of W. Beaney, J. Earp, H. Epps — to present the case for a State League.

Data at that time revealed —

(a) Clubs in favour of State League were: Woonona Granville.

(a) Clubs in favour of State League were: Woonona, Granville, Annandale, Kurri, Weston, Cessnock, Aberdare.

(b) Clubs opposed were: New Lambton, West Wallsend, Wallsend, Holmesville, St. George, Gladesville. Canterbury, East Suburbs, Balmain. 1901 Season Presidents W.Denton & Cyril Myers Secretary.Jack Harrison Treasurer.P.J.Strachan

A part from the amazing record of West Wallsend, there was little to enthuse over the happenings of this season.

Gardiner Cup Only six entries were received for the coveted Cup. four from Sydney, West Wallsend from the north and Balgownie from the South Coast. In the semi finals, West Wallsend ran riot over Pyrmont Rangers to win 5x0, while Balgownie eased out the YMCA. This set the stage for the first "All Country Final" This was held at the University Oval in Sydney on the 24th September. There was an invasion of spectators from both the north and south coast and leading referee Mr.G.Gunn, was appointed to control the clash of the miners. With Sydney fans supporting Balgownie, there was great glee when winger, Andy Rae, put Balgownie ahead in the 12th minute. But old Westy was to equalise just on half time when Howie crashed the ball into the net, in the second half, the Bluebells soon took control due to the fine leadership of Harden and goals from Howie, Swan, and Curran soon put paid to Balgownie's hopes.

Westy's only change from previous year's teams was the substitution of Palmer for Burrell in goals.

The Westy team was Palmer, Muir, F. Leckie, R. Harden, W. Teasdale, D. Maunder, Curran, Howie, Swan, R. Leckie, and J. Robertson.

Most activity on the local scene was limited to the keen competition which developed in the 3rd and 4th grades" a new adopted terms in lieu of the former title "Juniors". Only three entries were received for the Denton Cup. and so this was eliminated.

West Wallsend beat Wallsend in the semi final 3x1, qualifying to meet Adamstown in the Final. With its State Cup players available, West Wallsend proved too strong for the Rosebud team running out winners 3x1. Contemporary reports indicated that the loser's goalie, Brolgey Elgey, was responsible for keeping the score respectable.

Teams in the lower Grades included
1st Juniors.Adamstown(A)Adamstown(B)Charlestown,
East Greta, Hamilton, Minmi, Patent Rollers, Wallsend(A)
Wallsend(B) Minmi Trilbys.

2nd Juniors.
Broadmeadow, Charlestown, Broadmeadow Federals, Dudley,
Great Boulders, Hamilton, Patent Rollers, Wallsend Blossoms,
Maryland Royals, Minmi Advance, Minmi Trilbys

Player Register
Adamstown.

E. Sparke, R"Brolgey "Elgey, T. Bartley, J. Watt, R. Talbot,
George Nix, T. Harrison, J. Harrison, J. Adams, C. Harrison,
J. Willmott, R. Tarrant, A. Hunt, J. Beddow, J. Bone, M. O'Hagan,
D. O'Neill, J. Filby. W. Harris, S. Harris, T. Jennings, W. Johns,
T. Robinson, D. Maxwell, D. Gray, D. Bone, A. Gillard, J. Welham,
J. Nix, D. Harris, R. Mathews, J. Blanch, J. George, W. Geatchers,
C. Geatchers, W. Graham, W. Smith, W. Jackson, E. Rouse, G. Elliott,
D. Elliott, G. Richardson, J. O'Hagan, D. Walker, T. Seidecamp,
W. Chapman, W. Wilson, E. Bartley, W. Turnbull, F. Elgey,
G. Edden, J. Finlayson, G. Campbell, J. Pollock, J. Harrison,
I. Digging, A. Clarke, J. Hadley, D. Jackson, W. Wishardt,
J. Jobling, J. Harrison, H. Humphries, R. Brooks, W. Harrison,
N. Turpin.

Minmi Advance(3rd Grade)
W. Evans, G. Scott, T. Hobson, T. Murnane, W. Knott, J. Brown, G. Plain,
J. Hindman, J. Ramsay, J. Sneddon, J. McBlane, R. McBlane,
W. McLeish, J. Black, T. Evans, S. Waugh, G. Bilbie

Teralba
J.McLaughlan, P.McLaughlan, G.Johnson, J.Johnson, D.Cherry
C.Creighton, J.Stubbs, G.Dodds, W.Hart, W.Higgs, A.Howell,
A.Barnett, J.Fulton, E.Jepson, W.Thomas, J.Williams,
W.Ashman, S.Dumbleton, W.S.Smith, B.Hilton, R.Howe,
P.Fitzgerald, W.Jepson.

Hamilton (2nd Grade)
J.Kinder, T.Kinder, C.Carlin, T.Hedley, C.Hedley, J.Pridue,
J.Green, J.Purvis, H.Turnbull, W.Williams, J.Sharp, A.Pringle,
C.Mowett, A.Perkham, P.M.Myers, R.Carroll, R.Stott, R.Weir,
H.Hall, F.Wooley, D.Roach, H.Shields.

Hamilton(3rd Grade)
R.Jones, W.Lynn, J.McNaughton, A.Sharpe, J.Thornton, L.Pullan,
D.Hughes, W.Price, J.Smith, R.Hall, F.Kinder, R.Taylor
R.Purvis, J.Picton, J.Turnbull, W.Peacock, J.Lonie,
A.Mullholland, W.Clayton, W.Williams, A.Thomas, J.Hall
W.Turnbull

Dudley(2nd Grade)
Jas Brown, Thos Henwood, Joe Henderson, Albert Ball,
T. Taylor, N. Jones, Bill Jones, John Summers, Bill Henwood.
Sid Nugent.

Wallsend Blossams
Tommy Baird, Steve Saunders, W. Reid, J. Craig, J. Wills, G. Gough
A. Milburn, J. Paterson, E. Brummel, D. Baird, T. Bower,
S. Stewart, J. Parkinson, T. Richardson, J. Richardson,
J. Heel, J. Hughes, H. Thompson, Jas Jackson, Dave Hetherington.

Adamstown Rosebud
J.Nix, J.Brown, F.Bartley, D.Harris, T.Harrison, R.Waugh,
W.Nicholls, J.Watt, F.Jennings, T.Turnbull, J.George, M.O'Hagan
S.Lambert, W.Harris, D.Wilson, T.Cooper, J.Welham, R.Matthews,
Jas Harrison, Bob Elgey, S.Harris, A.Harris, D.Waugh
R.Tarrant, R.Talbot, E.Talbot, A.Gilpin, J.Maltman, J.Filby,
J.Bone, A.Baldwin. W.Graham, W.Johns, J.Blanche, T.Simmonds,
W.Geatchers, E.Sparke, T.Johns, A.Hunt, G.Gillard, J.Cuthbert,
E.Gardiner, R.Thomas, H.Cooper, E.Wallworth, W.Chapman,
E.Stewart, I.Matthews, R.Robinson, W.Talbot, G.Pollock,
E.Moyle, G.Weatherburn, J.Bush, H.Dempsey, W.Wilson, A.Wilson
R.McNamara, G.Geatchers, J.Adams, R.Martin, J.D.Hamilton,
G.See, J.Beddow.

West Wallsend Bluebells
R.Harden, D.Maunder, P.Bowling, J.Muir, R.Leckie, F.Leckie,
Jimmy Curran, J.Robertson, M.Burrell, E.Bowling, R.Howie, D.Howie,
F.McMartin, W.Perry, W.Hodge, T.Hodge, A.Grey, W.Teasdale,
P.Strachan, F.Harrison, S.Hancock, Jas Wall, J.Stankhouse,
D.Jones, E.Jones, Joe Davis, H.Burkell, J.Bowling, R.McBlane
Jas Williams, D.McNeill, H.Blakely, Alex Stowe, J.Botter
B.Fenny, Yorkie Lee, S.Hughes, F.Hedley, J.Burns, Monk Ford
R.Henderson, T.Richardson, W.Richardson, M.Parker, W.Kaiser,
A.Henderson, M.Armstrong, R.Gracie, C.Swan, W.Parkes,
W.Bainbridge, A.Patrick, M.Ridley, S.Farrington.

Patent Rollers(Adamstown)
H. Price, W. Fisher, R. Cameron, A. Elliott, M. Bartley, S. Hopton,
A. Trippenny, A. Parkes, B. Court, A. Wilson, A. Onslow,
F. Paterson, W. Brown, W. Vale, D. Cooke, J. Walker, J. Larkins
W. Reece, W. Peel, R. McNamara, J. Hunter, J. Cooke, J. Bartley,
R. Waugh, G. Turnbull, W. Turnbull, George Porter, George Lee,
Ted Gilpin, Tom Jenkins, Sam Waugh, Wal Loyden, Ed Wotten
Albert Bartley, Matt Turnbull, Bill Nicholls

Minmi Trilbys
J.Rennox, G.Wells, P.Murnane, L.White, J.Russell, J.Davis
J.Archibald, R.Diver, W.Giles, J.Hodges, L.Hodges, G.Hodges,
G.Newton, J.Williams, W.McBlane, H.Johnson, W.Needs,
R.McBlane, A.Barrett.

Broadmeadow
W.Aitchinson, J.Aitchinson, A.Baldwin, J.Baldwin, F.Dunn
J.Dyson, J.Doyle, D.Harrison, D.Murchie, J.Murchie, A.Shaw
A.McNaughton, J.Turnbull, J.Thornton, W.Thornton, J.Viggers,
H.Warpole, Tom Kinleyside, G.Carr, T.Bell, E.Harvey, D.Germyn,
H.Ridley, A.Ashman, T.Walker, W.Roy, T.Jeffries, A.Jones,
W.Wilkinson, R.Stevenson, A.Neal, E.Moore

Charlestown G.H.
R.Cook, F.Lewsam, A.Dick, E.Vaisley, G.Askew, B.Lee, W.Urquhart
A.Jewell, H.Morgan, R.Smith, J.Robinson, T.C.Mowbray, G.Blakey
W.Geddes, D.Fort, T.Mowbray, F.Hodges, A.E.Smith, R.Fewster,
G.Robinson

Merewether Advance
W.Smith, S.McLeary, J.Prior, G.Pete, J.McLelland, H.Williams,
J.Britton, R:Sneddon, W.Sneddon, B.Johnson, R.Johnson,
J.Johnson, J.Brooke, H.Turnbull, L.Brookes, E.Buxton,
H.Buxton, P.Hall, B.Hall, J.Galbraith, W.Turnbull, G.Britton,
F.Price, W.McLaren, W.Craig, W.Orr, A.Sharkey, G.Ritchie,
F.Taylor, A.Lowe, A.Dunn, R.Goodshaw, P.Peters, F.Peters,
J.Bell, T.Bell, J.Wilson, N.Turpin, R.Hughes, A.Gill, R.Hughes
D.Wooley, A.Myers, H.Murphy, H.Shields, W.Williams,
A.Shinley, G.Brooks, J.Lonie.

East Greta
R.Cartwright, W.Muir, A.Coulton, W.Coulton, J.Jones, C.Stagg
E.Searston, A.Stagg, T.Cantwell, J.Downie, J.Cook, R.Waugh,
J.Ballard, J.Porter, P.Parkes, T.Porter, C.Porter, P.Cantwell
W.Lindsay, W.Miller, G.Rosser, J.Currie, A.Parker, F.Dodd,
L.Leishman, F.Genge.

West Wallsend 2nd Grade
Ed Jones, Thos Richardson, A. Horne, J. Williams, J. Parker
J. Bowling, J. Beatty, W. Parkes, R. Henderson, T. Hodge, L. Lee
W. Richardson, L. Hughes, W. Stewart, R. Stewart, W. Bainbridge,
D. McNeill, J. McNeill, J. McMartin, J. Newman, D. Morgan,
J. Bruster, T. Fernie, D. Jones, J. Parkes, H. Burkett, W. Perry
W. Paterson, E. Wilson, G. Faith, J. Valance, S. Farrington,
W. Thomas, T. Walton, G. Anderson, J. Bilpen, W. Robertson, B. Ford,
V. Payne, W. Jones, J. Moroney, P. Dick, B. Fennie, D. Howie,
T. Hopton, S. Rees, T. Westwood, J. Slow, W. McLean.

*** On the 21 Sept.1901 the very first Football match was played between Minmi Rangers 2 v East Greta $\,$ O

December 1901 5 Miners killed in a accident at the Greta Colliery. Patent Rollers

A.Bartley, H. Price, W. Fisher, R. Cameron, A. Wilson, J. Britton, W. Pollock, J. Thompson, F. Jennings, W. Graham, S. Waugh, M. Loyden, R. McNamara, W. Nichols, A. Elliott, E. Gilpin, J. Magill, E. Wotten G. Turnbull, W. Gill, W. Brown, J. Wilson, J. Bullerwell, S. Hpoton, B. Court, W. Richmond, H. Shipley, P. Jackson, K. Smith, K. Smith S. Beeton, J. Bush, J. George.

Broadmeadow Federals
John Smith, John Cunningham, John Ryan, John Ray, John Viggers,
Alec Thornton, Fred Deasill, Robert Embleton, James Anders,
Albert Boddy, R. Marchant, Jas Sneddon, Joe Sneddon,
T. Sneddon, T. Gardiner, John Doyle, John Lindus, Jim Arthur,
Billy Myers, Andrew Rennie.

Minmi Rangers - 1901



Players(Not in order)
Williams, McBlane, Russell, Muir, Wells, Pate, Needs, Rennix
Cummock, Oliver, Murdock, Patrick, Sheppard, Bilbie,
Allen, J. Whitelaw, G. Newton, Renfrew, Pryor, Muller
Thompson, White, J. Merrion, Hill, Archibald, Davis.

1902 Season.

President/s W.Denton & R.Harden

Vice Presidents.A.Edden(MP)F.Pearce, H.Davis, D.McGeachie, E.Blackburn, Major Mullholland.

Secretary .J.Nix Treasurer, P.Strachan

For the annual representative match against Sydney, the northern selectors nominated the entire West Wallsend team to represent Newcastle. The match would be played at Westy on Coronation Day, June 28th.

The Newcastle Team

4 v Sydney

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(West Wallsend Bluebells)

Palmer F.Leckie A.Muir R.Harden(Ca

R.Harden(Capt) E.Robinson R.Keegan R.Leckie H.Pillans(1) W.Teasdale(2) W.Parkes D.Maunder(1) T.Hampson W.Bridge P.Timms A.McGregor Albert Moore

Albert Moore
H.Williams
C.Harrison
J.Groves
E.Lee(1)
B.Halliday
T.Harrison(1)

Referee Peter Finlayson

Gardiner Cup

The season's only apparent disappointment was the loss of the Gardiner Cup when West Wallsend went down to Pyrmont Rovers 3x1.

Only West Wallsend and Adamstown nominated from the north for the state cup., and both these clubs beat their Sydney opponents in the first round.

West Wallsend defeated Balmain 3x1, while Adamstown accounted for Pyrmont Voluntees 2x1.

For the first time ever, two northern teams opposed each other in a semi final of the cup.

At the end of regulation time, the score was tied at lxl, but West Wallsend ran out winners 2x1 after extra time.

Denton Cup Results

1902 Denton Cup	Adamstown Rosebud	M'wether Advance	Minmi Rangers	West Wallsend Bluebells	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	X	2-1, 2-2	1-0, 2-0	3-3, 1-4	8
M'wether Advance	1-2, 2-2	×	0-2, 1-0	2-4, 2-5	3
Minmi Rangers	0-1, 0-2	2-0, 0-1	x	1-3, 1-1	3
West Wallsend Bluebells	3-3, 4-1	4-2, 5-2	3-1, 1-1	х	10

Lower Grades
In its first season, Rhondda won the junior final by defeating Wallsend Royals 3x2.
The Rhondda team consisted of D.Cherry, W.Cherry, A.Cherry, A.Chambers, Arch Chambers,

D. Cherry, W. Cherry, A. Cherry, A. Chambers, Arch Chambers, A. Cooper, C. Cooper, Wotton, Johnston, McLaughlin, Howell(2) J. Stubbs(1)

Wallsend Royals were.Begbie, Dane, Wilson, Kemp, Diver, Giles, Durie(1)Pringle, Roy, Blair(1)Dowson The Referee Mr. Galloway.

Other new clubs this year were OUR Boys, Vanity Fair, Grunches.

School Competition.

In the closed season, there was unprecendented activity by officials in an attempt to place the game on a better footing. Great help was received from Major Mullholland of the Department of Public Instruction.

It was his suggestion that a school competition be staged on Saturday mornings. The Association's Annual Meeting, held at Broadmeadow early in March, 1902, was the best and biggest ever. Clubs represented were Adamstown Rosebud, Adamstown Shamrocks, Broadmeadow, Charlestown, Dudley, East Greta, Merewether Advance, Minmi, Stockton, Hamilton, Wallsend Rovers, and West Wallsend. After Mr D. Jackson had read a special report entitled

"HOW WE MUST ACT TO DEVELOP THW GAME"
IT WAS AGREED TO FORM A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO GRADE PLAYERS.

and to invite entries to form four grades.

Player Register

Stockton
W.Roy, T. Shakespeare, E. Harvey, A. McLuckie, J. Evans, T. Lobley
J. Harvey, W. Evans, Carroll, J. Houston, McCabe, G. Richardson
R. Minto, T. Collins

OUR BOY"S(Plattsburg-Co=operative)
T.Wilkins, C.Ledbury, A.Wilson, A. Horne, T. Parkes, W. Jones,
C.Stothard, Wright, Ledbury, Stothard, Hancock, Johnston.
Wellen, Roddam, Billett, McLennan, Chalmers, Younger,
Whitton.

Broadmeadow Federals
G.Elliott, F. Deastill, D. Elliott, J. Cunningham, J. Arthur,
R. Embleton, J. Reay, J. Doyle, J. Anders, J. Viggers, R. Marchant,
J. Smith, J. Ryan, D. Bone, B. Lennard, T. Doyle, W. Gerrad, H. Gibson,
D. Gilpin, G. Richardson, J. Lindus, W. Myers, J. Sneddon,
H. Turnbull, George Nix, B. Boddy, F. Harris, J. Filby, J. Munchie.

Adamstown Shamrocks
T.Magill, T.Waite, D.Walker, A.Sidecamp, E.Lee, A.Roach, M.Roach,
J.Sparke. J. Hall.G.Wilkinson, J.Gardner, W.Price, F.Magill,
J.Weatherburn, T.Robinson, W.Maxwell, A.Sharp, J.Wilson,
A.Hopton, C.Corrigan, W.Arthur, F.Dixon, W.Dixon, J.Woods,
D.Hill, C.Rouse, W.Jenkins, G.Russell, G.Edden, B.Beattie,
A.Beattie, A.Brown.

Patent Rollers

W.Fisher, W.Pollock, S.Hopton, B.Court, A.Bartley, E.Gilpin

R.McNamara, R.Cameron, W.Graham, G.Turnbull, J.Bullerwell,

S. Waugh, J. Thompson, H. Price

Wallsend Royals (3rd Grade) Kemp, Wilson, Durie, Diver, Giles, Begbie, Davis, Lidbury, Dowson, Hepplewhite, Hodges, Harrison, Roy, Pringle, Dobinson

Merewether Advance

S.McLeary, J. Pryde, W. Smith, C. Boughton, W. Vale, P. Hall, A. Elliott.

W.Wooley, A.Myers, R.Johnson, R.Sneddon, W.Sneddon, G.Jackson,

E.Buxton, R. Hughes, H. Powell, J. Summers, J. Phillips, G. Jummer, A. Donalson, H. Hall, J. McLaren, W. Penman, J. Williams, J. Bell,

J. Johnson, D. Jones, G. Peate, B. Coulter, K. McGrimmond, W. Turnbull.

Wallsend Blossoms

J. Parkinson, J. Shaw, C. French, H. Hepplewhite, W. Peel, A. Lewis

M. Richardson, E. Williams, J. Tiplady, C. Parkes, Dave Hetherington,

G. Blacklock, H. Willis, G. Parkinson, W. Forrester, A. Richardson,

B. Maddison, J. Peters, J. Craig, R. Penman, E. Cough, W. Watkins

J. Nelson, N. Houston, S. Wells, Harry Richards, J. Johnstone, J. Hughes

J. Jackson, Jack Steele, Tommy Baird, Ernie Brimeades, A. Milburn,

J. Paterson, W. Reid, D. Stewart, H. Thompson, A. Taylor, Steve Saunders

W. Wilson.

Dudley

H. Brown, J. Brown, W. Jones, H. Spiers, N. Jones, J. Jones, J. Houston,

J. Brooks, G. Cooper, G. Russell, H. Taylor, J. Henderson, D. Foot,

G. Ashley, J. Summers, C. Clayton, T. Henwood, W. Dimmock, A. Brown,

J. Davis, A. Gallagher, J. Smiles, T. Evans, Jenkins, Blakey, Lynn.

Vanity Fair

Nelson, Nelson, Taafe, Smith, Laverick, Jones Deal, Griffiths, Bower, Beard, Williams, Nelson, Hall, Griffiths, Robertson.

Minmi Rangers

Williams, McBlane, , McBlane, , McBlaNE, Russell, Muir, Wells, Pate, Needs, Rennix, Cummock, Oliver, Murdock, Murdock, Patrick, Bilbie, Shepperd, Allen, J. Whitelaw, G. Newton, Renfrew, Pryor, Mullins, Thompson, Waite, J. Merrion, Hill, Archibold, Davis, Davis.

Minmi Trilbys

J. Murnane, Fullick, James, Grant, Currie, Brown, Johns, Waite, J. Winterbottom, Peel, Black, Davies, Oliver, Needs, Wotten

Hamilton(4th Grade)

Rodwell, Lloyd, Hughes, Carling, Purvis, Lynn, McNaughton, Woolley, Kinder, Murphy, Hall, Price, Sharp, Bailey, Clayton, Roach,

Forrester, Picken, A. Thomas

Minmi Trilbys(4th Grade) Hobson, J. McLeish, Scott Brown, McBlane, Knott, Plain, Hindman, Banfield, Pryor, Oswald, Wells, Croft

Adamstown Bartley, Harris, Harris, Harris, Bone, M. Bone, Beddow, A, Baldwin J. George, Bush, Johns, Matthews, Jennings, Jennings, R, Elgey, R. Wilson, T. Wilson, E. Wilson, A. Wilson, J. Wilson, Dempsey. E. Sparke, J. Harrison, D. Waugh, W. Nichols, J. Watt, G. Turnbull, C. George, R. Talbot, E. Talbot, W. Talbot, J. Blanch, C. Gardner, T. Simmonds, R. Thomas, R. Hunt, G. Gillard, J. Gillard, A. Gillard, D. Gillard, J. Cuthbert, W. Chapman, R. Robinson, J. Pollock, E. Moyle, G. Weatherburn, M.O'Hagan, Kennedy, S. lambert, J. Cooper, A. Cooper, R. Tarrant, J. Jack, A. Gilpin, A. Trilby, J. Trilby, T. Johns, R.McNamara, R.Martin, J.Adams, G.Lee, J. Brown, S. Nix, J. Maxwell, D. Elliott, D. Bone, G. Elliott, D. Cameron, J. Hamilton, J. Finlayson, F. Harris, S. Waugh, D. Gray, N. Rouse, J. Hamilton, Humphries, D. Jackson S. Harrison, Wishart, Sidencamp, D. Walker, E. Lee G. Edden, S. Cope, F. Farmer, W. Dolling, E. Thompson, J. Greig N. Edden.

East Greta(3rd Grade)
Downie, Coote, Jones, Cartwright, Cantwell, Coulton, Coulton,
Muir, Searston, Thompson, Dodd, Ralston, Parker, Sonny Hodge,
Garnet Hodge, Percy Hodge, Alec Hodge, Gemmel, Porter, E. Porter,
McDonald. Rosser, Lindsay, Scott, Hind, Stagg, Byrnes, Cook,
Tapp, Bunn, Lord, Nott, C. Senior, S. Senior, W. Inman.

Wallsend Royals(4th Grade)
Blair, Wilding, Wells, Irving, Hill, Murray, Wilson, Chapman, Corbett
Rees, Quayle, Bates, Dobinson, Barr, Fenwick, Vials, Lloyd,
Horne, Smurthwaite, Anderson, Kemp, Kemp, Turnbull.

1903 Season

Patron.W. Denton

President.J.McCartney

Secretary. R. Hood

Treasurer. R. Harden

Vice Presidents.R.Brown, J.Estell, A.Edden(MP)D.Watkins(MHR) E.Blackburn, F.Williams, C.Price, Hudson, H.Denny, J.W.Ritchie, F.Harvey, J.Hill.

Two important innovations were introduced prior to the opening series:

**That all teams play district football

**That senior clubs have two votes, while junior clubs have one

A special committee draw up the district boundaries.

Wallsend & Plattsburg
West & Young Wallsend
Cardiff to Toronto
Catherine Hill Bay
Merewether & Glebe
Adamstown
Minmi
Municpal Boundaries
One Area
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One Area
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Fees set for Season
Senior Clubs 1.15.0
1st Junior clubs 1.0.0
2nd Junior clubs 15.0
3rd junior clubs 10.0

Entries for the season were (Seniors)
Adamstown Rosebud, Merewether Advance, Wallsend Royals (2nd Juniors Our Boys, East Greta, Broadmeadow Federals, Minmi, Pelaw Main, Teralba, Rhondda, Wallsend Blossoms, West Wallsend Rebels.
#rd Juniors.
Dudley, Great Boulders, Merewether Advance, Rhondda Magpies,

Wallsend Blossoms, Minmi Trilbys, WestWallsend Rebels

1903 Denton Cup	Adamstown Rosebud	M'wether Advance	Wallsend Royals	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	X-	2-1	0-3	2
M'wether Advance	1-2	х	0-3	0
Wallsend Royals	3-0	3-0	×	4

In a limited Badge (Premiership)Series, Wallsend won the final against Adamstown 3x1, The teams were Next page

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Wallsend . 3 v Adamstown Rosebuds 1 Final A. Begbie R"Brolgey"Elgey A. Roy(Capt) F. Bartley(Capt) D. Jackson J. Bullerwell R. Brooks J. Nix C. Kemp S. Haines W. Harrison, J. George J. Wishart F. Bush R. Pridue A. Wilson H. Andrews A.McNaughton J.Miller M.O'Hagan

> F.Jennings Referee.R.Harden

> > Ellis Cup

In the Ellis Cup, Adamstown and Merewether Advance qualified for the final, However, due to domestic trouble, Merewether Advance forfeited to Adamstown, who were then awarded the Cup and trophies.

Player Register
West Wallsend Rebels(3rd Grade)
Jack Stewart, Jim Stewart, A. Stewart, Adam Sneddon,
Henry Burkett, Billy Burkett, Frank See, Jack Trentholme,
Jim Chalmers, Joe Harden, Joe Campbell, Tommy Brennan,
Tim Coates, W. Stewart, Charlie Trentholme.

Our Boys
Henry Stothard, Albert Davis, Tom Parkes, Bill Jones,
George Smurthwaite, Adam Horne, Joe Blair, Chas Stothard,
W. Evans, Dick Treay, Matt Pettigrew, Charlie Ledbury,
Ted Parks, Pat White, T. Wilkie, T. Smurthwaite, W. Parkes
Theo Ledbury, Bill Stothard, Tommy Murnane, Wattie James
T. Grant, W. Hancock, (Secretary)

Pelaw Main(2nd Grade D.Jones, F. Dunn, J. Wilson, B. Fenny, C. Senior, T. Reece, J. Gilmore, J. Hanley, S. Dumbleton, E. Senior, C. Senior (Secretary)

Rhondda(2nd Grade)
W. Jones, J. Jones, W. Cunningham, V, Risckettes, J. Sneddon, W. Neal,
J. McPhee, T. Smith, R. Belford, J. Frew, R. Johnson, H. Radley,
G. Hopson, T. Younger, T. Woods, H. Brown, M. Roach, L. Dixon,
T. Magill, W. Edden.

Teralba(2nd Grade)
C.Jepson, W.Jepson, W.Ashman, J.Stubbs, A.Cherry, J.O'Brien,
H.Irwin, W.Hughes, R.Rodgers, R.Rodgers, W.Treay, W.Smith,
F.Barnett, J.Rice, J.Roberts, R.Cooper, Hodges, H.Peate,
F.O'Brien, W.Hart, W.ODY, H.Hodges.

Wallsend Blossoms(3rd Grade)
C.Parker, H.Brummel, R.Houston, A.Arkley, W.Hughes, H.Lindsay,
C.Jobling, John Craig, Bill Race, W.Herd, Albert Harrison,
G.Wilson, T.Cadman, T.Robertson, S.Wills, D.Bower
S.Stewart(Secretary)

Adamstown (3rd Grade) F. Elgey, D. Gillard, W. Turnbull, T. Watson, B. Lunn, A. Easton, J. Headly, W. Simmons, S. Bartley, A. Hopton, L. Date, A. Hure, W. Bone H. Geatchers, G. Campbell. Wallsend Great Boulders (3rd Grade) H.Bower, W.Moore, E.Jones, R.Morgan, J. Patrick, W. Shaw, W. Taylor, W.Paterson, J.Morgan, W.Todd, H.Hancock, R.Parkinson, S.Williams, J.Conn, W. Watkins. A. Punton, J. Richards, R. Parkinson, W. Taylor (Secretary) Pittown Wallsend) Wallsend Blossoms D. Bower, T. Bower, T. Gough, J. Shaw, T. Baird, W. Maxwell, T. Robson, A. Taylor, W. Paterson, J. Paterson, J. Rennix, T. Cadman, W. Wilson, H. Hepplewhite, J. Hughes, W. Parkinson, J. Tiplady, J. Jackson, R. Diver, J. Davis, D. Tulip, J. Archibold, J. Hodges, T. Gough (Secretary) Pittown Wallsend. Hicking, J. Russell, J. Flemming, J. Brown, J. Henderson, G. Cooper, J. Hodge, G. Hodge, D. Hodge, E. Williams, Gibbs, J. Brooks, W. Jones, J. Jones, J. Houston, A. Callaghan, E. Conners, J. Kelly Wallsend Royals G. Headly, J. Robinson, D. Maunder, C. Bonnor, W. Teasdale, Green J. Durie, L. Dowson, R. Blair, A. Roy, R. Tate, W. Giles, J. Corbett, A. Begbie, J. Kemp, J. Wishart, W. Harrison, D. Jackson, D. Brooks, J.Miller.L.Leckie. Merewether Advance (3rd Grade) F. Sandy, Faulds, George Brown, D. Duff, S. Jones, R. Twist, H. Bell, T. Stallard, A. Wright, J. Smith, W. Adamswaite, D. McLaughlan, J. Stewart, B. Paterson, N. M. Phillips, R. Paul, H. Helighope. Merewether Advance(Seniors) H. Hall, W. Pond, J. Phillips, A. McLeary, C. Tighn, B. Huggs, D. Kinder, Sharp, George Johnson, A. Donaldson, B. Turnbull, matt Craig, Tommy Phillips, J. Peters, Cat Wilson, J. Mitchell, B. Hall, J. Galbraith, George Jones, Harrison, Knox, J. Pryde, L. Senior, S. Jennings, S. McLeary, (Secretary Macquarie ST) West WAllsend Rebels W.Mitchell, T.Richardson, G.Beatty, S.Paker, A.Horne, W.Stewart S. Parkes, J. Brennan, T. Hodge, H. Forde, L. Lee, S. Richardson, W. Jones, T. Jones, A. Proudlock, W. Parkes, S. Lewis, P. Earl. Broadmeadow Federals(2nd Grade) J. Morris, R. Robinson, H. Robinson, C. Lilly, J. Price, R. Batey, J. Andrews, G. Andrews, R. Boody, W. Maher, G. Matich, P. Fallins, W. Murchie, T. Doyle, R. Cairns, H. Gerrard (Secretary West Hamilton. East Greta(2nd Grade) J. Smith, W. Smith, M. Cook, J. Cook, R. Coulton, J. Lord, W. Lindsay, E. Wind, H. Jowett, W. Jowett, Hodges, C. Stagg, P. Porter, A. Porter A. Lavender, C. Cartwright, C. Bunn, G. Rosser, J. Ballard, W. Kenman., T. Cantwell (Secretary)

Adamstown Rosebud(1st Grade)
D.Gillard, H.Shipley, J.George, T.Watson, D.Lunn, R.Elgey
F.Elgey, W.Harris, W.Fisher, W.Turnbull, N.Easton, S.Harris
L.Date, R.Cameron, A.Hopton, J.Watt, S.Bartley, J.Hedley,
F.Jennings, F.Bartley, M.O'Hagan, J.Bush, W.Jennings, S.Hure,
W.Wilmott, W.Waugh, N.Lynch, D.Wilson, A.Sneddon, J.Bird,
K.Smith, H.Dobson, W.Bone, T.Cook, J.Lunn, M.Turnbull, N.Sparke,
G.Campbell, J.Bone, J.Harrison, T.Harrison, D.Harris,
R.Talbot Woolley, J.Maxwell, J.Nix, A.McNaughton.

W.Fisher(Secretary)

Merewether Advance.
A. Elliott, W. Smith, T. Donaldson, J. McGhee, C. Punton, P. Jackson, P. Hall, W. Sneddon, R. Sneddon, C. Broughton, R. Johnstone, J. Pryde, S. Marchant, J. Bell, W. Mullbain, J. Jones, C. Headly, J. Bishop, J. Prior, B. Johnston, D. Cherry, F. Fenwick, J. Phillip, J. Sourby, A. Elliott, S. Jennings, B. Flemming, J. Sneddon, M. Sneddon, R. Davis.

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PELAW MAIN

A major trek of miners from the Newcastle fields to Pelaw Main where hundreds of unemployed miners found work at Pelaw Main and Stanford Merthyr collieries which both enjoyed rapid development.

Pelaw Main Soccer Club was formed in March, 1903 when the inaugural meeting was held on a vacant block of land near Gillon's General Store. Officials elected were — President, J. Hanlon; Secretary, Clyde Senior: Treasurer, J. Wilson.

Colours adopted were white shirt with 3-inch red sash.

Playing members were enrolled at two shillings and others at one shilling. A Ladies' Committee was formed and plans made to secure a playing strip.

Working bees prepared the ground which was situated close to the Public School, which had been opened a few months earlier. The following players were registered: D. Jones, F. Dunn, J. Wilson, B. Finny, Clyde Senior, Cyril Senior. Sid Senior, T. Reece, J. Gilmore, J. Hanley, S. Dumbleton.

Playing in the second grade, the team opened its home programme by playing a 1 all draw against Our Boys. J. Wilson scored the locals' goal. Other matches were v Rhondda (lost 1-2), Teralba (won 2-1), Broadmezdow Federals (draw 1-1), East Greta (draw 2 all), Trilbys (lost 0-1).

Before the 1904 season opened, the ground had been enlarged to 100 yards in length by 70 yards in width. Drainage at both goal ends was improved.

Club colours were changed to white shirt with 3-inch yellow strip.

Registered players were J. Manning, J. Morrison, T. Harris, C.

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Results of matches played in 1904 were — Lost 2-0 v Heddon Greta at Pelaw Main: drew Teralba 1 all at Teralba: lost 1-0 v Broad-

meadow at Pelaw Main; drew 1 all v Shamrocks at Pelaw Main; drew 2 all v Kurri Kurri at Kurri Kurri.

Broadmeadow ran out medal winners by beating Pelaw Main in final by 1 to 0. However, after years of mediocre success, honours went to the mining centre in the 1907 season. The Newcastle controllers decided to abandon their senior competition and substitute an All Aged Premiership as only three senior clubs entered.

The main aim of the executive was to create pockets of interest from which future senior teams would develop.

Ten teams entered — Adamstown Rosebuds. Broadmeadow Royal Arthur. Cessnock. East Greta, Pelaw Main, Wallsend Rovers, Wallsend Royals. West Wallsend and Weston — four from the developing Maitland Coalfield pleased the organisers. At the end of the series, Pelaw Main (leaders) and Wallsend Royals (runners-up) met in the final at the Broadmeadow Showground.

It was an excellent game with the scores 2 all at 90 minutes. However, in the extra time period, Pelaw Main excelled to win by 4 to 2 to take the first major soccer trophy to the Coalfields. The winning eleven comprised (red shirts with green braces) — Bondi Neal. A. Wilson. J. Hodges. J. Morrison. D. Jones, W. Jones, T. Crowley. J. Crowley. J. Davies. D. Shepherd, W. Mackay.

Scorers for Pelaw Main were: Davies (2), Shepherd (1), W. Jones (1).

A trade depression and the long coal strike of 1909 sent the club into recess. Many of its star players joined the nearby Kurri Kurri and Weston clubs.

However, in 1916, a strong junior club sprung up to cater for local players. This soon produced a crop of experienced performers.

Interest in the game grew and in 1918 Pelaw Main entered the S.M. Senior Grade. Under the astute coaching of a former overseas player. J. Curley was readily welcomed and the team's display soon revealed an attractive pattern of play not seen before.

The public welcomed this as the war years had cut off all sporting entertainment. As the season developed, the crowd grew in numbers. By the end of August it was apparent that the two "Mains", Abermain and Pelaw Main. were headed for the final.

In mid-September these two old rivals clashed for the medals at the Homestead. The crowd, which was very vocal and partisan, numbered 2000. Three encroachments by excited spectators caused the referee to stop play on several occasions. Fortunes ebbed and flowed for over an hour and the result lay in the balance. A strong assault by Abermain saw a long clearance by Yates put his team on the attack. A stray ball 20 yards out fell at Curley's feet and he quickly netted the vital goal. In the next 15 minutes each team scored.

In the dying stages, "Washer" Brown made two daring saves and final scores ended at 2 to 1 in Pelaw Main's favour.

The scenes which followed the final whistle are still vividly recalled by old-timers.

Even the calm Councillor Jim Butler ordered Georgie Muir "to take the team to the Empire for a pint of bitter and put it on my account".

Never were refreshments more worthily won.

Even the three short blasts of the Pelaw Main pit whistle at 5 pm on that eventful Saturday brought the glad tidings to the mere handful of "stay-at-homes". The winning team consisted of: "Washer" Brown, Stan Davidson, "Buck" Yates, Sid Oliver. "Yacum" Peters, Roy Burns. Jack Curley, Pet Lennard, Jack Hill, Geordie Muir, Jack Bower.

Let's pass on to season 1926, when Pelaw Main and Weston thrilled a crowd of 1200 in the Reserve Grade final. When 90 minutes were up the scores were 3 all. In extra time, winger Jim Bellamy crashed in the winner after making a solo run of 40 yards. The teams in that match were:—

Pelaw Main: A. Browing, T. Ridley, L. Rees, B. Scott, W. Allen, J. Nicholls, A. Rees, J. Stewart, B. Hinman, F. Paterson, S. Hawke.

Weston: Turner, Butler, Smith, Rogerson, E. Williams, J. Paterson, J. Bellamy, Tait, Bryce, J. Williams, J. Marrcott.

Scorers were: P.M. S. Hawke 2, Hinman 1. Weston J. Bellamy 3, Bryce 1.

Pelaw Main had another glorious year again in 1928 — year when State League kicked off.

A much better trained senior side turned out many fine wins in a series, with Bellbird and Pelaw Main clashing in the final at Homestead.

Bellbird was a clear-cut favourite as their centre Jock Pettigrew, a professional from Armidale (Scotland) had netted 29 goals for the "Blues" — while Bill Price (20) and Blue Hinman (17) for the "Mains" during the season. The later defence of "Fido" Stewart, George Peel. Peter Simons, Mick Allen and Ellis Reid played to a set pattern and blocked Pettigrew out of the match. The only goal was scored by Jackie Stewart, late in the second half, to give P.M. the medals and Cup.

The team comprised: J. Nichols. W. Stewart, G. Peel, P. Simons, E. Reid, S. Oliver, J. Stewart, S. Kidd, J. Hinman, W. Price, Jim Gibson, M. Allen, Curly Robinson, Mat Last, Tom Bell, Sam White, Jim Bain, T. Bruce — all appearing during the series.

A new ground with a first class playing surface was built and fenced along Hebburn Street. To honour such an achievement the

MARINE SALISA MALLET -

N.D.B.F.A. staged the Reserve Grade final there, when Kurri Kurri defeated Wallsend by 3 to 1. The gate receipts were £90, with free admission for ladies and children.

At the end, Councillor Jim Butler presented the Harvey and Middleton Cups to Kurri's skipper, Sol Jenkins. Since that event the club has produced many soccer stars who joined other clubs. To mention a few — Hughie Workman, Dave Nesbitt, Johnny Barr, Herb Barr and others. George Muir also excelled at cricket, iron quoits and was quite a success as a cornerman in the Vaudeville set-up — a really popular personality.



PELAW MAIN HEROES George Mair, Roy Burns, Jack Peters, Sid Oliver,

1904 Season.

Patron. W. Denton

Presidents.R. Harden & J. McCartney

Secretary.R.Hood

Treasurer.W.Waugh
Council.P.Strachan,W.S.Galloway,J.Duguid,E.Bartley
R.Stevenson,J.Pettigrew.

Chairman of Meetings. R. Tait.

Ellis Cup Results

Round.1.Wallsend Royals 3 v Broadmeadow Federals 2
West Wallsend 2 v Minmi Rangers 1
Adamstown "Bud" 1 v Merewether Advance 0
Pelaw Main(Bye)

Semi Finals

West Wallsend 3 v Wallsend Royals 2
Pelaw Main v Adamstown(Not Played)

**Would you please note.

The management committee decided to accept entries from 2nd grade clubs for the Ellis Cup this year. This resulted in seven entries with the three lower grades and they were Minmi, Pelaw Main and Broadmeadow. Pelaw Main was from the South Maitland Coalfields, where six new collieries had openedfor production, In the first semi final, West Wallsend knocked out Wallsend Royals 3x2. Pelaw Main was drawn at home to Adamstown Rosebud, but Adamstown asked twice for a postponement. After prolonged discussion, the NDBFA, Agreed that the Ellis Cup be abandoned for the year and the trophy was not awarded for 1904.

Denton Cup Results

1904 Denton Cup	Adamstown Rosebud	M'wether Advance	Wallsend Royals	West Wallsend	P	8	L	ם	F	•	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	×	1-0	2-2	1-3	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
M'wether Advance	0-1	х.	2-0	0-1	3	1	2	0	3	2	2
Wallsend Royals	2-2	0-2	X	2-1	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
West Wallsend	3-1	1-0	1-2	x	3	2	1	0	5	3	4

Club entries for the season were (Seniors)
Adamstown, Merewether Advance, Wallsend Rovers, and
West Wallsend Bluebells.

First Juniors Broadmeadow, Heddon Greta, Kurri Kurri, Pelaw Main, Adamstown Shamrocks, and Teralba. 2nd Juniors.
Adamstown, Wallsend Boulders, Broadmeadow, Catherine Hill Bay, Merewether Adyance, Wallsend Royals, Wallsend(B) and West Wallsend.

3rd Juniors Kurri Kurri, Wallsend Royals, Teralba, West Wallsend and Windy Creek(Wine-dee Creek)

Representative Match

Of major importance was the staging at West Wallsend
of the annual Inter-City game.

The north fielded a very strong and representative side,
which won by 5x0 Gate takings were over 50 pounds.

The NOrthern team was
Bob Elgey, E. Bartley, A. Muir, R. Harden (Capt) D. Maunder,
W. Teasdale, R. Leckie, J. Robertson, H. Andrews, J. Wishart,
J. George.
In the return match the Southerners avenged their first
match defeat by winning 2x0.

First International Tour.

The records show that the first team to leave Australia was in 1904. The team was made up of all NSW players, SIMPLY because the Victorian and Queensland States rejected the NSW Association's invitation to make a combined States tour to New zealand.

The tourists left Sydney on the steamer "Marora" on the 2nd June, 1904.

The pioneer team comprised Thomas Spencer, William Thorpe, Albert Moore, Syd Condon, Perce Timmins, Con Harrison, Frank Waddell, Percy Metcalfe, William Carey, Syd Hilder, Andrew McMahon, Andrew Rae, Robert Byers, J. H. Wishart of

Albert Moore, Syd Condon, refer thanking, our model, Frank Waddell, Percy Metcalfe, William Carey, Syd Hilder, Frank Waddell, Percy Metcalfe, William Carey, Syd Hilder, Andrew McMahon, Andrew Rae, Robert Byers, J. H. Wishart of Wallsend, The captain and manager of the team was Fred Robinson. Ten of the 15 players were Australian born. Mr Ned Maher accompanied the team at his own expence. The tour details were.

NSW	1	v	North Island	1
			Auckland	2
NSW	1	v	Wellington	2
NSW	6	v	Canterbury	1
NSW	2	v	Otago	4
NSW	8	v	South Island	0
NSW		v	New Zealand	0
NSW	4	٧	Timora	0
		17	New Zealand	3

Upon the return to Australia the tourists defeated the Rest of NSW 3x1.



1904 New Zealand Representative Team
Back Row.R.Riley, H.Morrison, A.Clapham, A.Stark,
Middle Row.W.J.Taylor, R.Farquharson, D.McMillan(Capt)
L.White, P.Smallbone,
Front Row.W.Kilgour, W.Morrison

Formation of Kurri Kurri

The Kurri Kurri Club was formed March 1904 on the Vacant land opposite the Empire Hotel.

Mr. Thomas Kirkwood was elected as Secretary. The Ground was Central Park.

The Registered Players were H. Turnbull, J. Turnbull, J. Brown, T. Jeffries, T. Harris A. Smith, E. Hancock, A. Roach, T. Peters, A. Elliott, E. Newey C. Simpson, J. Gilmour, B. Charlton, S. Phoenix, M. Wilson J. Peters, A. Ross, J. Ballard, H. Williamson, G. Petridge.

Kurri Kurri Rivals. W. Jones, T. Kirkwood, M. Lobbley, J. Scott, B. Chapple, S. Banford, S. Peters, C. Pearce, W. Wilkes, J. Oglethorpe C. Turnbull, J. Sawyers, J. Robertson, A. Chiarelli, J. Cowley, F. Lewis, G. Brown, F. D. Jones, V. O'Donnell, D. Baird, H. Stotthard, J. BLair, W. Oglethorpe,

The First match Kurri Kurri O v Broadmeadow 3.

**Mostly clubs had a seperate secretary and name for each team in their clubs, "This will be seen regulary in many clubs.

> It was fourteen years after Professor Edgeworth David made his sensational discovery of coal at Swamp Creek near Abermain that there were marks of real development in that area, later known as the South Maitland Coalfields.

> Mines were opened at South Greta, East Greta, Heddon Greta, Stanford Merthyr and Pelaw Main.

> Small settlements near the pit tops sprang up, but there was soon a demand for a planned township.

> The State Legislature realised this and a Special Committee was set up and with the help of the Lands Department developmental work soon took place.

> An army of surveyors chose the site of Kurri Kurri-about 11/2 miles to the west of Heddon Greta.

> The name of Kurri Kurri was an apt one. It was a purely aboriginal one with the meaning—"in the beginning"—the very first or "Genesis."

> The word appears to have had some association with the important aboriginal ceremony of Bora—or man making ceremony.

It has been authoratively stated that a Bora ground was located just behind the site of the Hall in Victoria Street.

The planning and naming of the streets was a big job in 1902 when pressure in the State Parliament caused the matter to be given high priority.

The naming of streets reflects the period as many have direct association with-

(i) Coronation of King Edward VII.
(ii) Coming of Federation.
(iii) South African War.

In the first group comes Coronation, Edward, Victoria, Alexandra, while Rawson, Barton, Deakin and Gillies have bearing on Federation which became an established part in 1901. The area Spion Kop brings back memories of a vital battle in the Boer War.

Then others have local colouring. Railway. Stanford, Heddon, Merthyr, Greta, Maitland, Mulbring.

Early proposal was that Rawson Street would be the main thoroughfare because of the even grade and nearness to the proposed railway centre.

However the construction of the traffic bridge at Heddon Greta and the Weston to Cessnock road saw the general usage of Cessnock Street.

It is interesting to note that Cessnock Street later became Lang Street in honour of the State Premier who visited Kurri during his career.

F -- wars experts praised the efficient planning of the township

with its wite streets and its regular laneways.

It has been claimed that it was the first town in this State built under modern town planning.

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Football In Kurri Kurri

The town of Kurri Kurri was established in 1904, and it would be no exaggeration to state that while half the population was busy building a town, the other half were busy belting the hell out of a football.

Life on the early coalfields had two interests, and both stemmed from the origins of the early settlers. The winning of coal from the area's mines was only slightly more important than winning the weekly football matches against the neighbouring towns. Rivalry between the small settlements was high, and each had its local heroes, who were more well known(and in most instances, respected) than the mine bosses.

In the early days, Football in Kurri Kurri was played on a ground in the centre of town, which later became known as the "Drill Hall Ground", and was where the Osti factory now stands. There is no doubt that the central situation of the ground, and its proximity to local hostelries had a lot to do with the popularity of the sport insofar as the general public was concerned. It is a fact that, when the Club obtained the use of Gould Park, near the railway station, John Citizen(unless truly dedicated) GENERALLY found the one mile walk to and from the ground to the hotels just a little bit too far, Accordingly, attendances slackened, and the fanatic interest exhibited in the beginning waned.

The dedicated, however, remained, and through their efforts, Kurri Kurri became the first Northern NSW Club to become semi-proffessional.

The club was a foundation member of the first State League, and was runners-up in the State Premiership in 1929, The Stevenson Cup came to Kurri Kurri on four occasions-1923,1928,1943, and 1944.

Football at senior level gradually died out in Kurri Kurri in the 1950's but the code was maintained at junior level. The revival began in 1968 when two teams were entered in an Amateur League competition, and in 1974, when the Northern NSW Federation called application for Third Division competition.

Kurri Kurri was one of the first applicants.1975.6.7 was a period of consolidation and growth under the coaching of the former Australian player, Johnny Barr, Kurri Kurri began its long climb on the road back to the top. In 1978 under the coaching of Bogdan Duma, Kurri Kurri won promotion to second division.

As if to celebrate both its promotion and its 75th birthday, the club took over a new ground, Birralee Park, off Heddon Street, the ground having been established through Government and Council assistance to the tune of over \$80,000 and today there is no finer playing surface in any area, it also has a fine Athletic track around the playing area.

We can look forward to the future with the population growth that Kurri Kurri will return to the top divisions in the new century.

HEDDON GRETA

The Heddon Greta Club was founded in March. 1904 at a meeting near Pike's Saw Mill.

There was a deputation from East Greta and their application for membership was received.

There were 42 at the meeting and officials elected were: President, J. Cantwell: Secretary, Joe Hodges, Treasurer, J. Dunne.

Colours chosen were white shirt with black ribbon.

It was reported that new clubs had been formed at Pelaw Main and at Kurri Kurri.

A working bee was formed to extend the practice area near the Heddon Greta Hotel on the north side of the Maitland Road.

Players registered included: E. Cox, C. Picken, J. Hodges, M. Cook, E. Picken, J. Jones, T. Smith, F. Williams, R. Young, J. Lord, J. Nasen, N. Barker, J. Allen, F. Blumer, J. Dunne.

The opening match, Heddon Greta v Kurri Kurri, proved a real local derby. Heddon won by 4 to 2 after being in arrears by 2 to 1 at half-time. Chris Picken and Ned Cox were outstanding for the locals while J. Peters, H. Turnbull and P. Charlton excelled for Kurri.

Two weeks later an unexpected crowd of 400 packed the sidelines to see Pelaw Main and Heddon play a 2 all draw. Pelaw Main's goalie, Bondi Neil stopped two penalties. Thrice the referee, Harry Speers of Dudley, held up play as spectators crowded the visitors' goalmouth while stones were aimed at the 'keeper. Play became heated in the final 20 minutes and fights broke out among partisan fans. Player Chris Picken, also a first grade Rugby star, remarked, "I was glad to hear the final whistle."

Strange but true, referee Speers was cheered by both teams and

many of the crowd.

Years later, when living at Kurri Kurri, Harry remarked — "Yes, the strangest game I ever refereed. I gave a penalty to each side but when Neil fisted Picken's drive over the bar pandemonium broke forth." forth.

But "at the tasty banquet after the match we were all good

friends." concluded Harry Speers.

In 1906, the Heddon Rocks entered a strong combination in the 3rd grade. Secretary Joe Hodges enrolled quite a few "outsiders" to strengthen the locals.

Despite its apparent strength the team only achieved moderate

success as its away record was poor.

Among the registered players were: Wes Williams, Bert Oglethorpe. Bill Morgan, R. Hume, Arch Lewis, Tom Doyle, C. Younger, Ted Jackson, Jim Sneddon, G. Oakley, R. Squires, R. Robson, Geo. Muir, Bill Yates, Sam Yates. But the club only lasted three seasons. The local mine was closed permanently after a series of serious gas fires made it unsafe for working. Many of the soccer players moved to other centres in search of permanent employment.

1905 Season

Patron.W. Denton

President. John McCartney

Secretary. Bob Stevenson

Treasurer. W. Waugh

Vice Presidents. John Fegan(MLA)John Estell(MLA) Dave Watkins(MHR)Alf Edden(MLA)H.J.Denny,

Louis Twist, Ed Blackburn.

Full Council. E. Buxton, A. Bailey, W. Barr, John Wilson, James Wilson, Peter Myers, Harry Andrews

Alec Roy, C. Faith, E. Weatherburn, J. D. Hamilton.

B. Team

Bailey

Maxwell.

A.McNaughton

Wishart

W. Teasdale

J. George

H. Andrews

R.Leckie

Muir

F.Leckie

A. Roy

The Annual General Meeting was held at the Australia Hotel, Broadmeadow and proved to be a very vital meeting. A record number of clubs were represented and much criticism was levelled at the loose manner in which the competition had been run. This led to the election of a new executive.

A big item of discussion at the AGM was the proposed tour by a New Zealand team

Newcastle requested, and was granted, two matches by the State authorities. The Newcastle selectors agreed to stage a trial game at Merewether in late May.

The trial teams were

A Team Bob Elgey J. Doyle

Bartley Jennings

J. Pryde J. Watt Seidencamp

T. Needs Dowson

Sneddon Moore

Reserves for both teams were Grant, Lewis, Oliver.

The following players were selected to go to Sydney and trial for the State team.

R. Elgey, F. Bartley, J. Doyle, J. Pryde, J. Wall, A. Roy, R. Leckie,

A.McNaughton, H. Andrews, J. George, W. Maxwell

1905 Ellis Cup	Adamstown Rosebud	Adamstown B IX	Merewether Advance	Adamstown Shamrocks	Wallsend Rovers	West Wallsend	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	х	4-3	4-1	1-1	2-0	6-0	9
Adamstown B XI	3-4	X	0-1	1-3	1-0	2-2	3
M'wether Advance	1-4	1-0	· x	0-2	2-1	0-3	4
Adamstown Shamrocks	1-1	3-1	2-0	X	1-0	2-6	7
Wallsend Rovers	0-2	0-1	1-2	0-1	×	0-7	0
West Wallsend	0-6	2-2	3-0	6-2	7-0	x	7

On the local scene,in the Premiership of six clubs, the top four qualified for the Ellis Cup. In the semi finals Adam's town defeated Merewether Advance 5x0 While Adamstown Shamrocks caused a major upset by putting paid to West Wallsend 3x1.

The all Adamstown final made an unprecendented appeal to the public as fierce rivalry eruputed bordering on bitterness as does Glasgow Rangers and Celtic. Some 1500 spectators turned out to witness Adamstown Rosebud showing far to much speed and experience for the Shamrocks, winning 7x3.



T Jennings (Trn), F Rushton (Linesman), R Matthews (Chairman), W Davis (V-Pres) J Pollock (Treas), J Hall (V-Pres), W Ambier (V-Pres), R B Talbot (Pres), A Edden (MLA & Patron), S Powell (V-Pres), D Filby (V-Pres), J Roddom Back row: 3rd row:

J.D. Hamilton (Sec), F. Elgey, J. Watt, J. Nix, R. R. Elgey (Capt), J. Doyle, F. Jennings, W. 2nd row:

Harris, R Lord (Mgr) M O'Hagan, W Maxwell, W F Hamilton, G Russell, E Clarke, D Russell F Lyie, J Thompson, J Bone Front row:

Absent:

1905 Adamstown Rosebud Ellis Cup Winners

Lower Grades Results

The entries were

Catherine Hill Bay, Merewether Advance, West Wallsend,

Minmi Rangers, and Wallsend Royals. Minmi Rangers 4 v Merewether Advance o in the Final

Holmesville Stars, Minmi Rangers, Teralba, West Wallsend, 2nd Juniors. Wallsend Boulders, Wallsend Royals. The Wallsend Royals 5 defeated Wallsend Boulders 4 in the final.

3rd Juniors Holmesville Stars, Merewether Advance, Minmi Rooks, Minmi Trilbys, Wallarah, West Wallsend. Merewether Advance 4 defeated West Wallsend 2 in Final. 1905

New Zealand Tour Australia.

Manager.Mr.Mayer

M. Fitzgerald, E. Newman, Clapham, Forrest, W. Taylor, G. Middlemas, Brown, Bissett, W. Foreshaw, M. Chadwick, W. Mawson, J. Harrison, D. Jones, F. Usher, Morrison.

New Zealand played 11 matches on tour.

Won 5 Lost 4

Lost 4 Drew 2

Coals For 36, Against 27.

New South Wales 4 v New Zealand

T. Spencer (Pyrmont)

J.Christie(Glebe)

A.McMahon(glebe)

R.Byers(Rozelle)

J. Richards (Pyrmont)

P. Timms (Pyrmont)

Tolhurst (South Coast)

A"Bert"Moore(Sydney)

Andrews (Andrews (Adamstown)

W.Carey(Pyrmont)

A. Rae (Helensburgh)

Referee John Thompson

New South Wales 1 v New Zealand 1
Bob"Brolgey"Elgey(Adamstown)
J.Christie(Glebe)Sydney)
J.Doyle(Adamstown)
S.Hilder(Glebe)Sydney)
C.Harrison(Sydney)
Tolhurst(South Coast)
Neate(South Coast)
J.Hallon(Sydney)

W.Carey(Pyrmont)_ Albert Moore(Sydney) A.Rae(Helensburg) New Zealand tours

Two matches were played in Newcastle; the first on July 4th, with New Zealand winning 5x4,

Newcastle 4 v New Zealand 5

R"Brolgey"Elgey

F. Bartley

J. Doyle,

J. Muir

F. Jennings

J. Watts,

W. Maxwell

R. Leckie(1)

H. Andrews

J. George(1)

A. McNaughton(2)

The return match was played two days later at Newcastle

The return match was played two days later at Newcastle Showground, where the visitors again won by the barest of Margins.

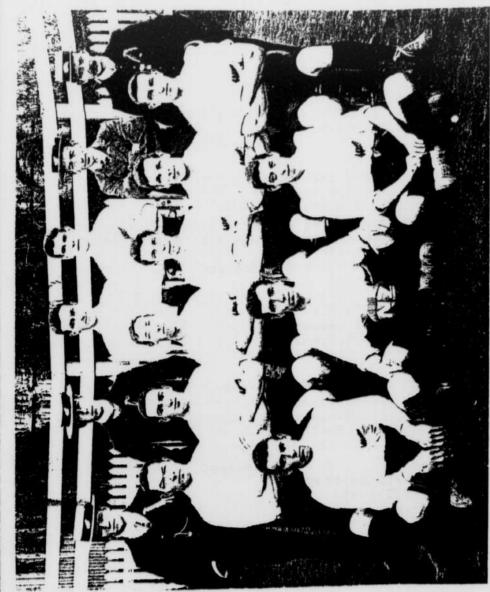
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J.Hallon(Sydney)
W.Carey(Pyrmont)

J.George ... H.Wishart.

A.Rae(Helensburg) Referee Mr.C.Harvey (Navy)



Trendscuers. The 1905 New Zealand soccer team who went to New South Wales - the first national Association side to leave these

PLayer Register

Merewether Advance(1st Grade)

J. Smith, R. Twist, D. Gillard, A. Faulds, H. Bell, T. Bell, A. Young,

G. Brown, A.O'Neill, M. Jones, P. Fairhall, J. Hall, G. Campbell,

G.F. Magill, Matt Craig, W. Turnbull, B. Hall, G. Johnson,

J. Phillips, J. Hall, Allworth, (Secretary)

Merewether Advance(2nd Grade)

J. Fairhall, D. Williams, F. Adamsthwaite, H. Dauvers, J. Powell,

R. Johnson, R. McLeary, J. Greenwood, H. Robson, B. Johns,

J. Dever, J. Searle, J. Buxton, A. Fairhall, A. Price, A. Lovall

C. Thompson, E. Firth

Holmesville Stars(2nd Grade) Black & Gold

M. Jones, R. Everson, A. L. Kime, A. Sneddon, W. Beale, T. Beale,

G. Gray, W. Gray, , J. Trentholme, J. Flemming, T. McBlane,

W. Heeney, G. Heeney, George Hilditch, S. Murray, W. Armstrong

W.McClush, N.McClush, Eli Faith, T. Shephard, W. Anderson,

C.Lawrence, R. Howell, W. Arthur, J. Lewis, C. Edwards, W. Allan

Jerry Sneddon, M.O'Hagan

Teralba(2nd Grade)

A. Barnes, J. Stubbs, A. Cherry, T.O'Brien, H. Wilkinson, W. Steel

T. Dumbleton, J. Coates, P. Jepson, T. Wilkinson, W. Outram,

, J. Rodgers, J. McAlpine, F. Potter, J. Goodall, E. Jepson,

J. Peel, A. Frew, J. Frew J. Wilson

Wallsend Boulders(White-Blue Band)

W. Wardle, W. Frew, G. Maddison, J. Crowley, T. Crowley, J. Wardle,

E. Parkes, T. Parkes, A. Davies, J. Bowling, A. Arkley, R. Parkinson,

, W. Pettigrew, J. Richardson, A. Richardson, B. Robson,

A. Gibson, E. Williams, W. Thomas, C. Wilson, C. Jobling, J. Craig

W. Hancock, D. Bower, W. Moore.

A.E.Gibson(Secretary)Whitton St.Wallsend)

Wallarah(1st Team)White-Black Sash)

,G,Hill,J.Outram,J.Green,J.Belford,J.Archibold

J.Parsons, S.Outram, P.McLaughlan, James Davies,

... G.Anderson, J. Peacock, A. Johnson, R. Henderson,

J. Meredith, M. Hamilton, H. Campbell.

Wallsend Rovers (Red, with Gold Sash)

Jackson, Roy, Andrews, J. Wishsrt, Durie, Blair, Kemp, Dowson,

Shaw, Hepplewhite, Evans, Tate, Baird.

West Wallsend(1st Grade)(Light Blue)

Jackson, A. Muir, W. Teasdale, J. Maunder, J. Robertson, J. Curran

R.Leckie, T.Brennan, J.Stewart, W.Stewart, J.Harden, J.Beatty,

W.Bainbridge. D.Jones, W.Perry, W.Parkes, T.Hodge, J. Beeton, F. Lee, S. See, F. Leckie, J. Moffatt, R. Lewis, J. Neal

J. Brennan, J. Burrows, A. Burrows, P. Bowling, J. Green, A. Perry

J. Hancock, R. Harden,

Merewether Advance)White-Red Sash)

W.Smith, J. Pryde, A. Elliott, R. Sneddon, W. Sneddon, A. Myers

C.Purvis, T. Hedley, F. Wooley, H. Hall, R. Johnson, M. Craig,

H. Andrews, G. Jackson, McCartney, J. Galbraith, J. Phillips,

J. Smith, T. Bell, D. Wooley, J. Green, T. Murphy.

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Adamstown Rosebud(Blue-White Sash)
Robert Elgey, F. Bartley, F. Jennings, R. Talbot, J. George,
J. Nix, A. McNaughton, E. Clarke, R. Cameron, J. Bush, J. Watt,
George Nix, J. D. Hamilton, R. Matthews, F. Rushton, W. Harris,
M. O'Hagan, J. Bone, J. Doyle, Frank Elgey, E. Talbot, E. Bartley,

Nat Jones, E. Wooten, A. Bartley, Joe Bartley, M. Geatchers, George Campbell, W. Fisher, W. Maxwell, Juno Maxwell.

School Competition

Adamstown.

A. Edden, N. Lee, J. Dunne, T. Turnbull, A. Jennings, W. Burns, J. Hadley, M. Lee, A. Dunne, F. Fisher, E. Avery.

Hamilton

H.McRae, A.Wilson, G.Dorrity, J.Fullicks, R.Davis, R.Emery, W.Elliott, G.Jamieson, V.Hodges, E.Duncan, J.Duncan, R.Clay E.Alexander, J.Stevenson, A.Dawson, B.Green.

Minmi

J.C.Collins, R.Wells, J.Caddis, R.Brown, J.Devon, J.Laverty H.Ball, D.Williams, W.Ball, H.Willoughby, H.Devon, W.Sneddon G.Barr, L.Elliott, J.Richards, R.Milgate, T.Mitchell Wallarah (Catherine Hill Bay (3rd Grade)
J. Evans, C. Outram, J. Bassett, W. Mansfield, A. Gill, A. Hinks
P. Parsons, R. Milluish, P. Jenkins, R. Howe, G. Pringle, R. Collins
F. Neal, T. Price, J. Lee, R. Eade, L. Conn, J. Ridley, S. Ridley,
H. Backman, S. Davies, W. Campbell, H. Brindley, B. Spinks,
J. Spinks, H. Peacock, S. Belford, W. Norman, A. Tobin, Wiggs
H. Firkin, R. Grahame.
H. Wells Scretary)

Minmi Trilby's(3rd Grade)Red-White-Blue)
C.Callaghan, J.Oliver, M.Cummings, W.Jackson, G.Shepperd,
D.Scott, J.Brown, A.Evans, J.Renfrew, T.Winterbottom,
T.Wells, D.McBlane, R.Cain, E.Richards, E.Perry, D.Brown,
N.Jackson, J.McLaughlin, W.Wheatley, J.Lewis, J.Hobson, H.Knott,
S.Waugh, T.Banfield, W.Smith.
J.Brown(Secretary)Minmi.

Wallsend Rovers
Davis, Davison, Hepplewhite, Shaw, Diver, Nelson, G. Pringle
Tommy Baird, Jackson, Wilson, J. Maxwell, Patterson, Durie
Evans, Parkes, R. Blair, W. Cadman. J. Blair, Seidencamp,
J. Hill, J. Kemp, Gilpin, S. Hopton,
William Evans (Secretary) Pittown Wallsend)

Minmi Rooks(3rd Grade)All White)
R.Peel, J.Gorton, D.Brown, J.Fullick, W.Fullicks, R.Ferguson,
A.Wells, D.Dixon, G.Leonard, W.Murnane, G.Jack, J.Ramsey,
Bower, F.Murnane, John Mowett, Bob Cain, D.Fairlie, J.Wilson
T.Ramsey, D.Currie, G.Price, O.Murnane,
A.Wells(Secretary)

Holmesville Stars)3rd Grade)Black & Gold
N.Jones, W.Beale, T.Beale, G.Gray, W.Heeney, E.Faith,
T.Shepperd, G.Heeney, J.Lewis, C.Edwards, W.Mann, S.Gilchrist,
C.Trenyholme, A.Johnson, J.Horn, G.Sneddon, H.Hindmarsh,
R.Arthur, S.Hilditch, A.Coleman, J.Storer,
Thos McBlane(Secretary)

Minmi Rangers(1st Grade) Black & Red S.Wells, Trapper Needs, G.Scott, W.McBlane, J.Winterbottom, Jim Brown. A. Oliver, J. Black, S. Waite, J. Williams, T. Humphries, H. Knott, J. Conn.

Minmi Rangers(2nd Grade)
T.Rennix, J.Rennix, J.Pruor, J.Russell, J.Knott, H.Needs,
T.Murnane, J.Hindmarsh, Jack Brown, Joe Brown,
Alec Bilbie, W.Mason

Adamstown Shamrocks(Seniors)White Green Sash
A.Bailey, E.Moore, N.Turpin, A Deidencamp, J.Harrison,
T.Harrison, T.Wailes, J.Sparkes, A.Roach, M.Roach, F.Magill,
S.Harris, J.Bullerwell, J.Weatherburn, D.Walker, N.Jones,
D.Bone, E.Gilpin, S.Hopton, S.Miller, J.Beddow, W.Edden.

Adamstown Rosebud(Blue-White Sash)
Robert Elgey, F. Bartley, F. Jennings, R. Talbot, J. George,
J. Nix, A. McNaughton, E. Clarke, R. Cameron, J. Bush, J. Watt,
George Nix, J. D. Hamilton, R. Matthews, F. Rushton, W. Harris,
M. O'Hagan, J. Bone, J. Doyle, Frank Elgey, E. Talbot, E. Bartley,

PLayer Register
Merewether Advance(1st Grade)
J.Smith, R.Twist, D.Gillard, A.Faulds, H.Bell, T.Bell, A.Young,
G.Brown, A.O'Neill, M.Jones, P.Fairhall, J.Hall, G.Campbell,
G.F.Magill, Matt Craig, W.Turnbull, B.Hall, G.Johnson,
J.Phillips, J.Hall, Allworth, (Secretary)

Merewether Advance(2nd Grade)
J.Fairhall, D.Williams, F.Adamsthwaite, H.Dauvers, J.Powell,
R.Johnson, R.McLeary, J.Greenwood, H.Robson, B.Johns,
J.Dever, J.Searle, J.Buxton, A.Fairhall, A.Price, A.Lovall
C.Thompson, E.Firth

Holmesville Stars(2nd Grade) Black & Gold M.Jones, R. Everson, A.L. Kime, A. Sneddon, W. Beale, T. Beale, G. Gray, W. Gray, J. Trentholme, J. Flemming, T. McBlane, W. Heeney, G. Heeney, George Hilditch, S. Murray, W. Armstrong W. McClush, N. McClush, Eli Faith, T. Shephard, W. Anderson, C. Lawrence, R. Howell, W. Arthur, J. Lewis, C. Edwards, W. Allan Jerry Sneddon, M. O'Hagan

Teralba(2nd Grade)
A.Barnes, J.Stubbs, A.Cherry, T.O'Brien, H.Wilkinson, W.Steel
T.Dumbleton, J.Coates, P.Jepson, T.Wilkinson, W.Outram,
,J.Rodgers, J.McAlpine, F.Potter, J.Goodall, E.Jepson,
J.Peel, A.Frew, J.Frew J.Wilson

Wallsend Boulders(White-Blue Band)
W.Wardle, W.Frew, G.Maddison, J.Crowley, T.Crowley, J.Wardle,
E.Parkes, T.Parkes, A.Davies, J.Bowling, A.Arkley, R.Parkinson,
,W.Pettigrew, J.Richardson, A.Richardson, B.Robson,
A.Gibson, E.Williams, W.Thomas, C.Wilson, C.Jobling, J.Craig
W.Hancock, D.Bower, W.Moore.
A.E.Gibson(Secretary)Whitton St.Wallsend)

Wallarah(1st Team)White-Black Sash)
,G,Hill,J.Outram,J.Green,J.Belford,J.Archibold
J.Parsons,S.Outram,P.McLaughlan,James Davies,
G.Anderson,J.Peacock,A.Johnson,R.Henderson,
J.Meredith,M.Hamilton,H.Campbell.

3rd Juniors
Holmesville Stars, Merewether Advance, Minmi Rooks,
Minmi Trilbys, Wallarah, West Wallsend.
Merewether Advance 4 defeated West Wallsend 2 in Final.

Adamstown Rosebud(Continued)
Nat Jones, E. Wooten, A. Bartley, Joe Bartley, M. Geatchers,
George Campbell, W. Fisher, W. Maxwell, Juno Maxwell.

Wallsend Rovers(Red, with Gold Sash)
Jackson, Roy, Andrews, J. Wishsrt, Durie, Blair, Kemp, Dowson,
Shaw, Hepplewhite, Evans, Tate, Baird.

West Wallsend(1st Grade)(Light Blue)
Jackson, A. Muir, W. Teasdale, J. Maunder, J. Robertson, J. Curran
R. Leckie, T. Brennan, J. Stewart, W. Stewart, J. Harden, J. Beatty,
W. Bainbridge. D. Jones, W. Perry, W. Parkes, T. Hodge,
J. Beeton, F. Lee, S. See, F. Leckie, J. Moffatt, R. Lewis, J. Neal
J. Brennan, J. Burrows, A. Burrows, P. Bowling, J. Green, A. Perry
J. Hancock, R. Harden.

Merewether Advance)White-Red Sash)
W.Smith, J. Pryde, A. Elliott, R. Sneddon, W. Sneddon, A. Myers
C. Purvis, T. Hedley, F. Wooley, H. Hall, R. Johnson, M. Craig,
H. Andrews, G. Jackson, McCartney, J. Galbraith, J. Phillips,
J. Smith, T. Bell, D. Wooley, J. Green, T. Murphy.

School Competition

Adamstown.
A.Edden, N.Lee, J. Dunne, T. Turnbull, A. Jennings, W. Burns, J. Hadley, M. Lee, A. Dunne, F. Fisher, E. Avery.

Hamilton
H.McRae, A.Wilson, G. Dorrity, J. Fullicks, R. Davis, R. Emery, W. Elliott, G. Jamieson, V. Hodges, E. Duncan, J. Duncan, R. Clay E. Alexander, J. Stevenson, A. Dawson, B. Green.

Minmi J.C.Collins, R.Wells, J.Caddis, R.Brown, J.Devon, J.Laverty H.Ball, D.Williams, W.Ball, H.Willoughby, H.Devon, W.Sneddon G.Barr, L.Elliott, J.Richards, R.Milgate, T.Mitchell Player Register
Kurri Kurri
W.Jones, T. Kirkwood, M. Lobley, J. Scott, A. Smith, A. Roach,
B. Chapple, S. Beauford, S. Peters, G. Pearce, W. Wilks,
J. Oglethorpe, C. Turnbull, J. E. Sawyer, G. Bettridge,
H. Williamson

Wallsend Royals(3rd Grade)
J.Robertson, A.Chiarelli, J.Crowley, T.Lewis, G.Brown,
V.O'Donnell, T.Jones, D.Baird, H.Stothard, H.Pratten,
B.Pratten, J.Grills, T.Craig, J.Treay, J.Patrick, W.Grills,
W.Jackson.

Teralba(3rd Grade)
Jas Stubbs, W. Treay, A. Lessells, T. Wilkinson, T. O'Brien
J. McAlpine, A. Arkman, G. Wilson, T. Barnett, W. Thomas, J. Coates,
R. Hepplewhite, H. Wilkinson, B. Jepson, F. Parker, A, Cherry,
C. Richardson, J. Dellaway.

West Wallsend(3rd Grade)
J.Armour, W.Burkett, J.Burkett, J.Trentholme, A.Hodge, J.Muir
C.Harrison, F.Fernie, E.Kembrey, J.Evans, Jim Stewart,
J.Richardson, J.Dellaway

Wallarah
J.Bassett, K.Eade, E.Kembry, T.Price, C.Outram, W.Outram,
J.Outram, N.C.Dowd, G.Ridley, S.Dumbleton, M.Mansfield
W.Kembrey, R.Melish, J.McPhee, A.Gill, R.Howe, D.Absalam.

Wallsend Royals(B)
C. Johnstone, E. Ross, G. Wilson, T. Hepplewhite, Hancock,
Blair, Stewart, Cadman, Parkes, Davis, P. Murnane, Waite.
Grant.

Wallsend Royals(A)
A.Anderson, A. Johnson, J. Barr, W. Hancock, H. Wills, J. Bilby,
W. Mansfield, J. Conn, M. Pettigrew, B. Parks, C. Murnane
J. Hughes.

West Wallsend .
W.E.Wilson, J. Harden, A. Morrison, F. Lee, J. Morrison, A. Burrows, J. Stow. J. Stewart, T. Brennan, S. Coates, T. Robinson, J. Sneddon.

Windy Creek(Windie)
A.Gibson, W.Gibson, W.Wardle, J.Wardle, W.Frew, J.Parkes,
G.Maddison, E.Hogg, W.Thomas. G.Drury, J.Linsley.
W.Morris, . W.Paraby. A.Lewis, C.Wilson, E.Jones, J.Morgan,
W.Moore, J.Richardson.

Broadmeadow Federals.
R.Robinson, R.Maher, R.Cairns, H.Robinson, H.Gerrard, H.Birt,
G.Maitch, G.Nix, W.Maher, W.Grubb, W, Gibson, W.Gibson,
W.Langbridge J.Anders, Joe Anders, J.Doyle. F. Williams

Wallarah (Catherine Hill Bay (3rd Grade)
J. Evans, C. Outram, J. Bassett, W. Mansfield, A. Gill, A. Hinks
P. Parsons, R. Milluish, P. Jenkins, R. Howe, G. Pringle, R. Collins
F. Neal, T. Price, J. Lee, R. Eade, L. Conn, J. Ridley, S. Ridley,
H. Backman, S. Davies, W. Campbell, H. Brindley, B. Spinks,
J. Spinks, H. Peacock, S. Belford, W. Norman, A. Tobin, Wiggs
H. Firkin, R. Grahame.
H. Wells Scretary)

Minmi Trilby's(3rd Grade)Red-White-Blue)
C.Callaghan, J.Oliver, M.Cummings, W.Jackson, G.Shepperd,
D.Scott, J.Brown, A.Evans, J.Renfrew, T.Winterbottom,
T.Wells, D.McBlane, R.Cain, E.Richards, E.Perry, D.Brown,
N.Jackson, J.McLaughlin, W.Wheatley, J.Lewis, J.Hobson, H.Knott,
S.Waugh, T.Banfield, W.Smith.
J.Brown(Secretary)Minmi.

Wallsend Rovers
Davis, Davison, Hepplewhite, Shaw, Diver, Nelson, G. Pringle
Tommy Baird, Jackson, Wilson, J. Maxwell, Patterson, Durie
Evans, Parkes, R. Blair, W. Cadman. J. Blair, Seidencamp,
J. Hill, J. Kemp, Gilpin, S. Hopton,
William Evans (Secretary) Pittown Wallsend)

Minmi Rooks(3rd Grade)All White)
R.Peel, J.Gorton, D.Brown, J.Fullick, W.Fullicks, R.Ferguson,
A.Wells, D.Dixon, G.Leonard, W.Murnane, G.Jack, J.Ramsey,
Bower, F.Murnane, John Mowett, Bob Cain, D.Fairlie, J.Wilson
T.Ramsey, D.Currie, G.Price, O.Murnane,
A.Wells(Secretary)

Holmesville Stars)3rd Grade)Black & Gold N.Jones, W.Beale, T.Beale, G.Gray, W.Heeney, E.Faith, T.Shepperd, G.Heeney, J.Lewis, C.Edwards, W.Mann, S.Gilchrist, C.Trenyholme, A.Johnson, J.Horn, G.Sneddon, H.Hindmarsh, R.Arthur, S.Hilditch, A.Coleman, J.Storer, Thos McBlane(Secretary)

Minmi Rangers(1st Grade) Black & Red S.Wells, Trapper Needs, G.Scott, W.McBlane, J.Winterbottom, Jim Brown. A.Oliver, J.Black, S.Waite, J.Williams, T.Humphries, H.Knott, J.Conn.

Minmi Rangers(2nd Grade)
T.Rennix, J.Rennix, J.Pruor, J.Russell, J.Knott, H.Needs,
T.Murnane, J.Hindmarsh, Jack Brown, Joe Brown,
Alec Bilbie, W.Mason

Adamstown Shamrocks(Seniors)White Green Sash
A.Bailey, E.Moore, N.Turpin, A Deidencamp, J.Harrison,
T.Harrison, T.Wailes, J.Sparkes, A.Roach, M.Roach, F.Magill,
S.Harris, J.Bullerwell, J.Weatherburn, D.Walker, N.Jones,
D.Bone, E.Gilpin, S.Hopton, S.Miller, J.Beddow, W.Edden.

1906 Season

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Full Council.Alec Roy, E. Gilpin, Bill Ambler, J. Filby, J. McLeary M. McLeary, George Myers, G. Brown.



Northern British Football Association officers and councillors for the season 1906. Standing: R. Stevenson (secretary), R. Brown, G. A. Myers, W. J. Ambler, J. Wilson (treasurer). Sitting: J. McCartney (vice-president), J. L. Fegan, M.L.A. (vice-president), E. Buxton (president), E. Blackburn (vice-president) and H. J. Denny (vice-president). Picture from Mr.

1906 NBFA Officers and Councillors

THE RETURN OF MINMI RANGERS

The return of Minmi Rangers to the senior ranks was a pleasing feature but this was offset by West Wallsend's failure to nominate, Adamstown entered two teams; the "B" Combination absorbing many of the former Shamrocks. Along with Merewether Advance and Wallsend Rovers, a senior league of five teams provided ample competition. Wallsend Rovers had a disastrous season, finishing at the bottom of the table. In the first semi final, Merewether Advance beat Minmi Rangers 2xl but because of the rivalry between Adamstown Rosebud A Team and Adamstown Rosebud B Team in the second semi final the match was played at Minmi. The result was that Rosebud A defeated Rosebud B team 3xl. In the Final Adamstown Rosebud A Team defeated it's near rivals Merewether Advance 2xl.

Gardiner Cup Through the efforts of Steve Lynch of Sydney the NSW officials decided to open the State Cup(Gardiner Challenge Cup) TO the north once again and to include the South Coast also. Adamstown Rosebud and Minmi Rangers were the only two nominations from the north this year. Seven teams entered, along with Woonona from the South Coast Association . . Disappointingly, Adamstown Rosebud and Minmi Rangers were drawn together in the first round. In a thrilling same, Adamstown defeated Minmi Rangers 3x2... In the second round Adamstown went down to Balmain 2x1, after playing a 3x3 draw earlier. Adamstown's officials, player's and supporters criticised the Sydney officials for not having the replay in Newcastle. The complaint was given much space in the Sydney press, which applauded the stand taken by Adamstown. However, State officials called upon the Adamstown Club to withdraw its complaint and charges and also to apologise. TWhen this was not forthcoming, the northern club was informed that it would be barred from future State Cup series.

1906 Ellis Cup	Adamstown Rosebud	Adamstown B IX	Merewether Advance	Minmi- Rangers	Walisend Rovers	Points
Adamstown Rosebud	х	1-1	2-1	2-2	3-1	6
Adamstown B XI	1-1	×	2-3	0-2	0-0	2
M'wether Advance	1-2	3-2	x	2-1	3-1	6
Minmi Rangers	2-2	2-0	1-2	х	3-1	5
Wallsend Rovers	1-3	0-0	1-3	1-3	х	1

Semi-finals Merewether Advance (2) defeated Minmi Rangers (1)
Adamstown Rosebud (3) defeated Adamstown "B" (1)

Adamstown Rosebud (2) defeated M'wether Advance (1)

(at Newcastle Showground)

Referee Mr Myers

Final

Northern District British Football Association Directory.

The NDBFA issued the first ever directory this year and it contains the following information.

Clubs Adamstown Rosebud Broadmeadow R.A, Dudley Thistles East Greta Holmesville Stars Kurri Kurri Merewether Advance Minmi Starlights Minmi Squashers Pelaw Main Adamstown Shamrocks White, Green Sash Adamstown Sweethearts White, Red Heart Teralba Rangers Wallarah Seabreezers Wallsend Boulders Wallsend Rovers West Wallsend Heddon Greta Rooks

Secretary's colours J.D. Hamilton Navy Blue H. Gerrard Black & Gold White, Blue Braces R.H. Mowbray White, Blk. Braces C. Cartwright Black & Gold W.Armstrong L.Kirkwood Red & Blue R. Johnson White, Red Sash Green, Red Star W.Smith John Brown White, Blue Band C. Senior Purple T. Hadley J. Filby White, Blue Hoops G. Jepson Alf Neal White, Black Sash W. Taylor White, Blue Band T. Dobinson All Red R.Skillings Royal Blue White Yellow Sash Joe Hodges

Schools Adamstown Minmi Wallsend West Wallsend

Secretary's Colours J. Dunne Blue Blue, White Star Geo Barr Blue & White E. Armstrong D. Howell Black & Gold

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Player Register
Minmi Rangers(1st Grade)
J.Rennix, J.Brown, J.Black, Wal McBlane, J.Grant, R, Oliver,
J.Rennix, J.Brown, J.Black, Wal McBlane, A.Bilbie, J.Knott, F.Needs,
M.Giles, S.Waite, Hy Cummock, D.Allen, A.Bilbie, J.Knott, F.Needs,
G.Newton, W.James, Sam Wills, J.Williams, J.Murdock, J.Pryor,
G.Newton, W.James, Sam Wills, J.Williams, J.Murdock, J.Pryor,
A.Oliver, George Scott, J.McBlane, J.Winterbottom, J.Russell,
R.McBlane, W.Waite, A.Needs, G.Merrion, R.Leckie,
R.McBlane (Secretary)

Adamstown Rosebud
Bob Elgey, John Doyle, J. Nix, J. Purvis, J. Watt, Bill Harris,
F. Jennings, J. Bullerwell, D. Russell, J. George, E. Clarke,
F. McGill, W. Maxwell, A. McNaughton,
J. D. Hamilton (Secretary)

Adamstown(B)
J.Weatherburn, S.Hopton, J.Pollock, D.Bone, D.Gillard, S.Harris
T.Seidencamp, W.Waugh, A.Filby, K.Bally, J.Wailes, J.Sparkes,
D.Gilpin, E.Talbot, J.Jennings, J.Jackson, Joe Bone.

Wallsend Rovers(!st Grade)
S.Stewart, C.Parkes, W.Evans, T.Ledbury, J.Crowley, T.Crowley,
H.Hepplewhite, J.Bowling, D.Bower, A.Chiarelli, J.Shaw,
P.Waite, H.Parkinson, J.Patterson, A.Muir,
T.Dobinson(Secretary)

Merewether Advance J.Blackburn, J.Johnson, F.Adamsthwaite, G.Ritchie, S.Faulds J.Blackburn, J.Johnson, F.Adamsthwaite, G.Ritchie, S.Faulds W.Ashman, R.Smith, H.Hall, W.McLaren, T.Phillips, M.Jones, W.Peacock, R.Twist, W.Powell, T.Bell, H.Turnbull

Holmesville Stars(2nd Grade)
T.McBlane, W.Armstrong, R.Everson, W.Arthur, W.McLeish,
N.McLeish, E.Picken, James Archibold, Vic Huddlestone,
George Green, A.Spowart, C.Trentholme, J.Trentholme,
George Gray, J.Flemming, Jerry Sneddon, Juno Sneddon, A.Frew,
S.Hilditch, J.R.Hughes, T.Frew, A.Flemming, Wal Sneddon,
Phil Jones, D.Huddlestone, W.Quinn, T.Shepperd, C.Parkes
Bill Evans, Sid Stewart, Theo Ledbury, Tom Heeney, W.Burkett,
W.Armstrong (Secretary)

Adamstown (B)
E.Elgey, G. Campbell, S. Bartley, P. Bartley, A. Bartley, J. Bone
R. Matthews, T. Jennings, G. Edden, G. Campbell, R. Watt, R. Jones
J. Hamilton, J. Vale, W. Loyden, J. Pollock, F. Rushton, G. Roddom,
W. Cox, D. Gilpin, J. Beddow, C. Lilley.

Merewether Advance(2nd Grade)
P.Fairhall, J.Fairhall, R.Fairhall, R. Johnson, J. Powell,
H. Bell, H. Danvers, J. Searle, A. Lovell, M. Lamb, J. Buxton, J. Jones
S. Jones,
R. Jones (Secretary Railway St Merewether)

West Wallsend(2nd Grade)
R.Harden, J.Harden, E.Wilson, H.Ford, F.Ford, R.Henderson
A.Hodge, S.Coates, E.Johnson, J.Thompson, R.Ferguson, J.Brown
J.Mason, J.Durant, R.Harrison, R.Hunter, J.Armer, H.Parkes,
J.Muir, H.Bower, E.Kessel, Jim Stewart, F.Fernie, A.Gracie
R.Carroll, G.Lloyd, C.Harrison, T.Stewart.

East Greta
C.Bunn, J. Jowett, A. Lavender, C. Cartwright, G. Morgan, H. Bewes,
R. Coulton, R. Cook, J. Lindsay, S. Williams, W. Reis, W. Walton,
R. Walton, M. Walton, J. Walton, J. Genge, P. Parkes, C. Bisley,
T. Walton, M. Cook, A. Coulton, T. Stokes, A. Kerr, W. Collins,
G.G. Cartwright (Secretary)

Dudley Thistles(3rd Grade)
Sam Cooper, Bill Cooper, Jas Gibbs, John Gibbs, Alex Brown,
Jas Hodge, Bob Anderson, John Mowbray, Bob Mowbray,
Gilbert Russell, W. Richmond, Jas Hunter, Dave Jones, W. Jones,
John Parsons, J. McNaughton, Joe Hindmarsh, G. Cooper,
C. Creighton, T. Anderson,
R. H. Mowbray (Secretary)

Wallarah Seabreezers
D.Parsons, E.Drummond, A.J.Neal, S.Parsons, H.Neal,
H.Blackman, W.Pettigrew, A.Jones, H.Peacock, R.Peel, D.Jenkins,
E.R.Anderson, Alf Neal (Secretary)

Minmi Starlights(2nd Grade)
Bill Smith, Tom Ramsay, Evan Richards, Joe Conn, Jon Gorton
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Tom Winterbottom, John Oliver, Dave Scott, George Price,
Jerry McLaughlan, Wal Wheatley, Chris Callaghan,
John Fullick, J. Grant,
Bill Smith(Secretary.

Adamstown Sweethearts(3rd Grade)
J.Dever, J.Postlewaite, J.Loveday, A.Adamsthwaite, C.Lilley,
G.Richardson, C.Baldwin, F.Frew, W.Graham, W.Beddow, E.Reynolds,
J.Reynolds, B.Beeton, A.Jennings, J.Jennings, A.Sharpe,
J.Reynolds, B.Beeton, F.Filby, J.Sharpe, W.Dolling
R.Strickland, D.Gilpin, F.Filby, J.Sharpe, W.Dolling
T.Beddow, A.Headley, S.Thompson, G.Faulds, B.Ford, A.Wilmott
T.Beddow, A.Headley, S.Thompson, G.Faulds, B.Ford, A.Wilmott
George Nix, J.O'Neill, J.Oswall, J.Roach, J.Gray, J.Blanch,
J.Filby (Secretary Gosford Road Adamstown)

Minmi Rooks(3rd Grade)
G.Rennix, D.Brown, W.Russell, J.Ashton, J.Ramsay, H.Richards,
A.Duncan J.Renfrew, R.Morris, T.Hodge, J.Sneddon, J.Dick
W.Fullick, J.Caw, G.Oliver, G.B.Oliver (Secretary)

Minmi Squashers(3rd Grade)
John Brown, James Brown, Mark Clarke, George Clarke, J. Corns,
Aug Lewis, Les Banfield, Frank Murnane, John Mowett, A. Collins
A. A. Shepperd, G. Shepperd, R. Cain, J. Wells, E. Callaghan
Tom Wells, T. Willoughby, T. J. Thompson, J. Lewis,
John Brown (Secretary Newtown Mines)

Adamstown (B)
John Campbell, John Gardner, James Fenwick, Tom Hadley,
Peter Roddom, Alec McLeish, George Warburton, Tom Richards,
Cliff Graham, T. Richmond, Ed Price, Tom Tripney, J. Ward
Joe Geatchers, Joe Hadley, Fred Jones, Ralph Prescott,
Dave Flint, D. Elliott, W. Dixon, J. Ward, W. Rodway, J. Bartley
Thomas Hadley, (Secretary Brickyards Adamstown)

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs
T.WAugh, E.Sneddon, H.Gerrard, G.Thomas, S.Harris, W.Rennie,
W.Dunstan, J.Morris, Peter Atchinson, J.Cunningham, B, Davis
W.Dunstan, J.Morris, Peter Atchinson, J.Cunningham, A.Myers
A.Laverick, T.McNaughton, W.Rushford. M.Lawton, A.Myers
A.Laverick J.Burns, A.Cunningham, T.Doyle, J.Francis, J.Shields
A.Thornton
H.Gerrard (Secretary

Heddon Greta Rooks
Alf Hodges, R. Robson, Bob Squires, George Oakley, Jon Manning,
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Wesley Williams, Andrew Andrews, Ted Jackson, George Muir,
Bert Oglethorpe, Bill Yates, Harry Hooker, Arch Lewis
Tom Sneddon, Bill MOrgan, Tom Doyle, Henry. Hodge, Yeddon Welsh,
Tom Sneddon, Bill MOrgan, Tom Doyle, Henry. Hodge, Yeddon Welsh,
Bert Turnbull, James Roberts, S. Younger, C. Younger, C. Porter
M. Porter, P. Porter W. E. Jones, E. Cassils. J. Oglethorpe,
J. Brown, R. Humes, W. Palmer,
Joe Hodges (Secretary)

Adamstown (3rd Grade)
T.Maxwell, Hec Watt, J.G. Bullerwell, G. Elliott, J. Wallworth,
J.Wyman, J.Robinson, W. Geatchers, H. Geatchers, Val Loydon
A. Edden. Jennings, M. Turnbull, J. Bone, G. Pollock, E. T. Eggleston
W. Brown, H. Carley, S. Eggleston, F. Elgey, O. Watt, H. Biggens,
R. Lloyd, J. Davis, J. Howells, W. Turnbull. M. Robinson, H. Erskine
J. Askews.

Teralba Rangers(3rd Grade)
J.Coates, A.Barnes, A.Cherry, Joe Stubbs, J.Peel, J.McAlpine
J.Coates, A.Barnes, A.Cherry, Joe Stubbs, J.Peel, J.McAlpine
W.Steel, W.McLaghlin, A.Ashman, J.C.Cherry, Tom Wilkinson,
Wilson, F.Parkes, T.O'Brien, G.Wilson, J.Rodgers
Jack Rodgers, F.Potter. P.Jepson,
W.Derricott.

Wallsend Rovers(3rd Grade)
D.White, J.Brown, J.Richards, T.Dobinson, R.Parkinson,
L.Matthews, J.Farmer, R.Stewart, B.Linsley, J.Ledbury,
H.Hancock, P.Chapman, C.Williams, J.Robinson, W.Archibold,
W.O'Brien, T.Metcalfe, W.Race, R.Punton,
T.Dobinson(Secretary)

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Minmi Superior Public School
J.McKinnon, R. Brown, T. Corfield, L. Elliott, J. Wilson, H. Devon
D. Williams, J. Richards, G. Barr, W. Sneddon, L. Mitchell,
R. Wells, H. Daniels, E. Preslands, H. Dick, H. Knight, H. Leonard
S. Hamilton, F. Harvey, G. Scott, R. Clarke, R. Plain,
W. Mullholland, J. Fairlie, J. McFadden, G. Williams,

West Wallsend Superior Public School
C.Knudson, Anthony Mason, Edmond Hughes, Jack Durie,
Frank Williams, Joe Ernshaw, Bob Turnbuil, Edward Coates
John Leckie, Jack Holland, Peter Slavin, Bill Brownlee
H.Whit, Ley, Bob Cowie, George Laverick, Bill Campbell
Tom Walsh, Herb Donnelly, Jim Nelson, Bill Convery.

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Adamstown Rosebud Entry For Gardiner Challenge Cup
Refused.

This year there was sporting drama, focussing public attention which in turn, meant bigger "gates". The drama was the refusal of the Sydney authorities to accept Adamstown's entry for the Gardiner Cup. This decision shocked more than the followers of the code. However, Association Secretary, Bob Stevenson, who was also associated with the Broadmeadow Club, suggested a way out; to nominate under a new name. The idea was adopted and the Adamstown Rosebud team nominated for the Gardiner Cup as Broadmeadow. The entry was then accepted by Sydney. (By the way, the same thing happened to Wallsend in 1898, when Wallsend Rovers nominated as Newcastle West.

Gardiner Challenge Cup In the Cup ties, Broadmeadow (Adamstown Rosebud) ousted the Navy, 3x0. However, Weston Advance were beaten by Pyrmont 2x0 in its very first entry into the Gardiner Cup. Broadmeadow(Adamstown) THEN travelled to Woonona in the second round to play a scoreless draw but in the replay, Broadmeadow(Adamstown) won 5x1, with Campbell, Maxwell, S, Bartley and Jennings the outstanding contributors. The semi final against Petersham was a tough task. After a 1x1 draw in the first game, Broadmeadow (Adamstown) won the replay, 3x1. The first final against Pyrmont was a scoreless draw at Epping. Surprisingly, the State Association, in a complete about face, ordered the replay to be played at the Newcastle Showground. After 90 minutes of play, the score stood at 2x2 and in extra time Drussell scored the clincher for Broadmeadow (Adamstown Rosebud)

The winning team was.

Bob"Brolgey"Elgey, Campbell, J. Doyle, W. Harris, J. George,
Clarke, Jennings, S. Bartley, D. Russell, S. Harris, & T. Jones

Ellis Cup
Unfortunately only two teams nominated for the Ellis Cup
Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs and Weston Advance.Subsequently
three ties were played
Round.1.Broadmeadow.R.A. 3 v Weston Advance 2
Round.2.Broadmeadow.R.A. 1 v Weston Advance 1
Round.3 Broadmeadow.R.A.. won on a forfeit.

RusseLL

Weston Team consisted of Elliott, E. Bartley, J. Watt, J. Freebairn, T. Wardrop, W. Connell, A. Rae, R. Sneddon, C. Masters, W. Nesbitt, J. Sneddon

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs
Bob Elgey, J. Doyle, G. Campbell, W. Harris, W. Maxwell, J. George,
D. Russell, E. Clarke, W. Jennings, S. Bartley, T. Jones

MUST REBUILD

To rebuild the game, the senior competition was abandoned after the Ellis Cup Final fiasco and an all age competition substituted. This was planned to introduce pockets of intensive interests in new areas, from which future teams would be created.

Entries were Pelaw Main, East Greta, Cessnock Mountaineers, West Wallsend Bluebells, Adamstown Rosebud, Weston Advance, Wallsend Rovers, Wallsend Royals, Broadmeadow, Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs, At the end of the Premiership series, Pelaw Main as the minor premiers and Wallsend Royals

as runner up met in the final. However, the challenge from the coalfields was too powerful, as Pelaw Main, after extra time, ran out winners 4x2.

Seasons Winners

Seniors.

All Aged Pelaw Main
W.Neil, A. Wilson, J. Hodges, J. Morrison, D. Jones,
T. Crowley, J. Crowley, J. Davies, D. Shepperd, W. Mackay.
W. Jones.

2nd Juniors Adamstown Rosebud
J.Danvers, C.Lilley, E.Price, G. Edden, P.Bartley,
J.Filby, A.Jennings, A.Adamsthwaite, N.Sheedy,
H.Nix, J.Gray, J.Reynolds, J.Buxton, H.Price

3rd Juniors West Wallsend Bluebells
R.Mowbray, C.Lewis, T.Richmond, M.Dial, R.Skillings
T.Campbell, J.Whielaw, W.Lewis, G.Mason, W.Carson,
H.Parks,

4th Juniors Adamstown Rosebud
J.Dunne, R.Stewart, W.Powell, R.Winwood, E.Dixon,
A.Edden, N.Lee, H.Warburton, A.Jennings, T.Beddow,
R.Love, H.Ryan

Barlow School Cup West Wallsend
J.Leckie, C.Knudson, H.Means, W.Grills, E.Robinson
D.Horn, J.Armont, F.Williams, P.Slavin, R.Turnbull
A.McIntyre, E.Howell, N.Turnbull.

***Officials of the new registered clubs were
Minmi Wanderers J.Bilbie(Secretary)
Minmi Rooks G.Barr(Secretary)
Charlestown Gamblers (J.Geddes Secretary)
Cessnock Starlights T.Rennix(Secretary)
Cessnock Mountaineers A.Patrick(Secretary)
Weston Advance E.Bartley(Adamstown)

Player Register

Adamstown Rosebud(1st Grade)
R.Elgey, D. Hall, J. George, J. Watt, J. Maxwell, W. Maxwell,
D. Bone, F. Jennings, J. Nix, W. Harris, D. Russell, W. Jennings
J. Masters, J. Bullerwell, R. Sneddon, A. Reay, Wal Sneddon, K. Smith,
F. Henderson, J. Bone, D. Harris, S. Harris, G. Campbell, S. Bartley,
R. Bartley, W. Cox, J. Hamilton, M. Roach, A. Filby, F. McGill,
T. Seidencamp, Bill Waugh, G. Edden, J. Robson, A. Bartley,
K. Roach, W. Weatherburn, S. Hopton, J. Beddow, J, Cameron, J. Bush,
D. Gillard, H. Roach, T. Harrison, S. Falls, J. D. Hamilton.

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs(1st Grade)
J.Doyle, H.Picken, R.Oliver, Seth Waite, J.Knott, A.Needs,
J.Purvis, J.Clayton, Wal McLean, D.Jackson, D.Hall, J.McHugh,
H.C.Vale, J.Anders, W.Harris, Welham, McBlane, T.Clarke,
A.McNaughton, J.Smith, J.Bone, J.Lindus, R.Elliott, C.Carlin,
W.Aitchson, J.Marchant, J.Cunningham. T.Smith, F.Needs,
J.Viggers,
J.Reay(Secretary Hamilton Park)

Weston Advance
A.Elliott, A.Bailey, A.Ward, A.Sneddon, Jock Sneddon, A.Rae,
E.Bartley, J.Kemp, M.Cook, D.Roach, J.Gemmell, J.Kembray
M.Ramage, G.Turnbull, W.Jarvie, J.Wardrop, J.Oglethorpe,
W.Sneddon, W.Ashman, W.Dodd, W.Scott, J.Cook

Cessnock Mountaineers
G.Wells,T.Jones,Pluggey Jackson,Chris Jackson,T.Jeffries,
N.Murray,A.Murdock,W.Robertson,W.Smith,Chris Callaghan
C.Harris,J.Stewart,A.Patrick,Jim Hill,J.Chalmers,
T.Winterbottom
Albert Patrick(Secretary)

Wallsend Royals
T.Jones, H. Pratten, B. Pratten, R. Morgan, A. Chiarelli
L, F. Ledbury, H. Stothard, J. Blair, R. Patterson, A. Roy,
Tommy Baird, J. Paterson, E. Brummell, J. Durie, J. Chapman.

Pelaw Main
W.Jones, R.Belford, C.Younger, L.Younger, D.Morrison,
W.Neil, E.Kessell, W.Norman, J.Crowley, C.Senior, D.Jones,
H.Lumney, T.Crowley, J.Rethers, J.Dyson, A.Wilson, F.Gernal,
J.Hodge, F.Picketts, E.Pickering, C.Creighton, H.Mackie,
J.Davies, L.Brown, A.Peters, A.Picken, D.Shepperd
G.Trowbridge (Secretary)

Wallsend Rovers
D. White, J. Farmer, J. Chapman, J. Davis, R. Dowson, R. Blair,
Bill Evans, S. Stewart, J. Shaw, H. Hepplewhite, R. Tait,
Smith, G. Jackson, R. Johnson.

West Wallsend

T. Brennan, J. Stewart, A. Burrows, L. Lee, S. See, R. Lewis, R. C. Stewart W. Harden, W. Bainbridge, M. Lamb, A. Horne, B. Morgan, M. Giles, J.Muir, J. Delacca, R. Stewart, E. Johnson, J. Cuthbert, W. Thompson,

J. Morrison, W. Morrison. A.J. Gracie (Secretary)

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs(2nd Grade)

T. Doyle, H. Robinson, J. Gardiner, J. Morris, E. Sneddon, A. Thornton, S. Harris, R. Davis, Jim Cunningham, W. Rennie, J. Waugh, A. Laverick, W. Myers, T. McNaughton, C. Graham, D. Maher, D. Marchant, J. Sneddon, J. Jones, E. Firth, R. Jackson, E. Harvey, A. Fairhall, J. Thomson, J. Reay(Secretary Hamilton Park)

Wallarah (Catherine Hill Bay) G. Campbell, J. Bassett, P. Parsons, R. Jenkins, B. Spinks, L. Billett, A.O'Neill, E.Drummond, S.Ridley, W.Wiggs, T.Parsons, J.Outram G.Gill, W. Parsons, W. Crook, W. Richardson, J. Fenwick, J. Archibold A. Begbie, J.O'Neill, J. Campbell, C. Outram, T. Archibold, W. Peacock.

Weston(2nd Grade) J.Cook, W.Dodd, D.Fraser, H.Kembrey, W.J.Kembrey, J.Freebairn, W.Scott, J.Gemmell, C.Masters, C.Masters, M. Bamsay, W.McDonald, R. Truscott, W. Jarvie, T. Wardrop, C. French, G. Turnbull, J. Robinson J. Oglethorpe, W. Sneddon, W. Ashman, W. Davidson

E.Bartley(Secretary)

Adamstown Rosebud(3rd Grade)

J. Wallwork, G. Elliott, G. Geathers, T. Maxwell, H. Erskine G. Farmer, M. Ryan, O. Watt, E. Rouse, N. Sheedy, T. Eggleston, B. Russell, S. Keenan, R. Erskine, T. Watson, W. Geatches, H. Geatches, T. Wailes, G. Warburton, J. Adams, S. Adamsthwaite, J. Jennings, B. Nelson, P. Roddom, J. Woods, R. McLeary, A. Hopton.

Minmi Wanderers (3rd Grade) Adam Duncan, Joe Bilbie, George Jack, George Torrens, Bill Lang, James Dick, Andrew Duncan, Bob Sneddon, John Wilson John Wardrop, Tom Hodge, Bob Jack, John Bothwell, G. Bilbie, J. Russell, J. Ramsay Joe Bilbie(Secretary)

Pelaw Main(3rd Grade) J. Scobie, B. Hughes, J. Outram, E. Jones, C. Trowbridge, M. Butler C. Raddon, W. Yates, T. Kirkwood, T. Muir, J. Love, T. Madge, R. Squires, A. Knowles, D. Thomas, T. Williams, J. Charlton, A. Porter J. Greenwood, C. Turnbull, S. Clark, J. Archibold, J. Oglethorpe, B. Oglethorpe, T. Armstrong, W. Norman, H. Tunney, W. Martin, T. Picken, C. Hanley, A. Hooper.

Weston Advance(3rd Grade) H.G.Jewell, W. Hallston, G. Turnbull, R.T Elliott, D. Kembret, G. Embleton R. Dixon, E. French, J. Burt, E. Davis, M. Collins, W. James, John Wardrop, Alec Gemmell, H. French

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs(3rd Grade) W. Dunston, G. Thomas, A. Cunningham, J. Francis, H. Grubb, R. Bowling, R. Arthur, G. Clark, A. Middleton, J. Cowburn, W. Langbridge, R. Cairns, J. Erskine, W. Marchant, T. Brown, J. Brown, J. Waugh, H. Gerrard, J. Cunningham, D. Davies, D. Beeton.

Charlestown Gamblers(3rd Grade)
R.Smith, F.Potter, W. Heath, W. Drinkwater, J. Hunter, H. Boone,
C. Burchall, A. Shaw, J. Broadbent, H. Vaisey, G. T. Mowbray,
S. Jewell, A. Blackman, G. Askey, W. Boyd, E. Heath, S. Paterson,
G. Broadbent, J. McKinnon, L. Burchall, J. Williams, H. Hancock,
E. Oswald, W. Unwin.
T. Gaddes (Secretary)

West Wallsend Bluebells)4th Grade)
J.Muir, T.Birrell, P.Turnbull, T.Coates, J.Earnshaw, J.Britt,
E.Slavin, J.Webster, J.Brennan, F.Williams, W.Walker,
O.Ford, J.Kaiser, W.Phillips, J.Harrison, W.Meredith

Adamstown Rosebud 4th Grade)
J. Dunn, A. Jennings, Rutley, J. Logan, Penman, Hadley, Ryan,
Graham, W. Burns, R. Stewart, H. Baldwin, A. Gillard, Howells,
W. Smith, Hawkins, A. Edden, M. Robertson, A. Dick, W. Powell
T. Pease, R. Winwood, E. Dixon, M. Perry, H. Warburton, Beddow.

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs(4th Grade)
R. Emery, W. Sneddon, R. Aitchison, H. Sneddon, A. Durston, D. Deakin,
J. Hughes, J. Mattick, W. Elliott, J. Gibson, J. Hargreaves,
A. Parsons, S. Grubb, W. Taylor, W. Maloney, N. Edden, J. Logan
W. Neal, W. Marquett, T. Davies, C. Robinson,

Minmi Rooks(4tH Grade)
W.Currie, W.Grant, W.Banfield, S.Cottier, H.Ball, H.McKinnon,
H.Wardrop, J.Dixon, L.Sneddon, D.Jackson, L.Torrance,
H.Willoughby, W.Moyles, A.White.

Minmi Trilbys G.Rennix, A.Renfrew, E.Wilson, J.Wilson, J.Barr, D.Cox, W.Hamilton, J.Devon, W.Newton, E.Price, A.Chalmers, W.Brown A.Shepherd, W.Evans, D.Harwood, Bill Brown Secretary Main Road Minmi

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Bill Richmond, Alex Brown, Jim Gibbs, John Gibbs, Jim Hodge,
Bob Drury, John Parsons, John Jackson, Bob Anderson, Dave Jones,
Sam Cooper, W. Quinn, Jas Sutcliffe, Bill Doughan, Jack McDougall
Bill McDougall, A.F. Fyfe, Bill Kenny.
Bill Greener (Secretary).

West Wallsend Bluebells(3rd Grade C.Lewis, W.Lewis, W.Carson, T.Newell, J.Whitelaw, R.Skillings, G.Mason, T.Gough, C.James, J.Bullock, R.Mowbray, M.Dial, T.Campbell, D.Harrison, T.Richmond, A.Goodall, W.Taylor, H.Parkes, R.Skillings Wilson Street West Wallsend

Minmi Squashers(4th Grade)
R.Well, G.Barr, G.Archibold, J.Bates, W.Ellis, H.Devon, J.Fergus,
J.Caddis, J.perry, T.Wilson, M.Colquhoun, J.Wells, R.Williams
W.Sneddon, Hamilton, Auld, B.Scott.

Pelaw Main(4th Grade)
J.Irving, R.Irving, L.Jones, A.Trowbridge, D.Reece, J.Radley
J.Smith, T.Hale, W.Wilson, C.Senior, D.Senior, J.Outram
T.Tunning, A.Gills, A.Anderson, J.Griffiths, J.Murphy,
R.Price, C.Kelly, D.Nesbitt, E.Creighton, T.Crowley, T.Wilson

Pelaw Main 4th Grade (Continued)
J.Browning, J. Campbell, C. Crimsom, W. Williams, A. Hodges, H. Jones
P. Roddon,
C. Trowbridge (Secretary Abermain)

Cessnock Starlights(4th Grade)
R.Pate, J.Freebairn, N.Thompson, F. Mark, W. Wells, A. Stewart.
W.Pate, J.Ward, L. Lane, G. Boyle, S. Andrews, A. Howard, T. Jeffries,
C. Henderson, P. Martin, W. Maher, W. Hodgetts

West Wallsend Bluebells(B)
J.Conn, A.Cowie, H. Hall, C.Lee, J.Carson R. Hillary, J. Lombard,
A.McLaughlin, J.Swann, W. West, S. Johnson, J. Mason, N. Yeates
W. McLure, T. Slater, T. Carson, J. Lord, T. Cook, C. Thomson,
G. McNeil, R. Rae, W. Heeney, F. Harold, W. Cherry, H. Walls, J. Evans
W. Hughes, J. Dellaway, B. Chalmers, L. Lord, J. Muir, R. Henderson,
S. Coates.

East Greta
R.Coulton, A.Coulton, A.Jowett, A.Lavender, R.Cartwright
J.W.Kerr, P.Parker, A.Parker, T.Cantwell, M.Cook, R.Cook, C.Bunn,
T.Smith, H.Bews, J.Jones,
H.Bews (Secretary)

Heddon Greta(2nd Grade)
R. Squires, A. Hodges, R. Hume, T. Picken, H. Hodges, M. Porter,
A. Porter, A. Turnbull, W. Williams, J. Roberts, C. Creighton,
W. Byewater, T. Kirkwood, R. Robson, T. Hume, J. Manning, G. Oakley
C. Porter, G. Hodges, A. Andrews, B. Palmer, C. Bunn, J. Jowett,
C. Lavender, G. Matich, T. Phillips, A. Aitchison,
J. Sneddon(Heddon Greta later in season withdrew from competition)

East Greta 2nd Grade)
G.Rosser, E.W. Hinman, J. Genge, J. Walton, J. Williams, S. Williams, J. Cook, C. Maxwell, H. Bewes, J. Lindsay, W. Reis, G. Morgan

Cessnock Mountaineers(2nd Grade)
J.Willie, J.Gorton, A.Thomas, J.Winning, Joe Jones, W.Lobley,
A.Ray, G.Humphries, A.Dunn, J.Bullard, W.Fullick, S.Wilson
P.Porter, C.Weakley, P.Vergoine, P.Parker, R.Wilson, Perce Parker.

Teralba Rangers(2nd Grade)
C.Dudley, T.O'Brien, J.Stubbs, A.Barnes, F.Wilkinson, T.Wilkinson,
W.McLaughlin, C.Richardson, A.Cherry, J.Peel, J.McAlpine,
G.Wilson, W.Derricott, J.Goodall, D.Pritchard, Alf Ashman
J.O'Brien,
J.Coates(Secretary)

Adamstown Rosebud(2nd Grade)
J.Askew, E. Price, C. Lilley, George Nix, Reynolds, J. Filby,
J. Gardner, P. Roddom, W. Loydon, Stan Harris, C. Baldwin,
J. Dixon, J. Pollock, J. Jennings, C. Jennings, S. Hadley, J. Gray
H. Price, Burt, B. Russell, J. Bush, W. Dixon, J. Danvers, J. Buxton,
G. Davis, J. Loveday.

West Wallsend(2nd Grade)

J. Durrant, A. Hodge, H. Ford, Ern Johnson, E. E, wilson, T. Hughes

R. Hemderson, J. Stewart, M. Lamb, J. Cuthbert, A. Gracie, F. Ford

J. Dellaca, R. Ferguson, R. Stewart, J. Armour, R. Everson,

S. Coates, A. Cowie, J. Mason,

Minmi Squashers(2nd Grade J.Oliver, J.Ashton, J.Renfrew, J.Brown, J.Lewis, J.Mowatt, J.Thomson, J.Wells, T.Wells, F.Murnane, G.Oliver, R.Cain, P.Wheatley, G.Price, J.McLaughlin, G, Lennard, W.Chalmers, G.B.Oliver Jnr (Secretary)

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George Myers(Hamilton) J.D.Hamilton(Adamstown)
George Johnson(Teralba)Chas Faith(Holmesville)
Jas Houston(Stockton)Fred Jennings(Adamstown)

Schools Competition

West Wallsend
C.Knudson, P.Slavin, R.Turnbull, J.Leckie, S.Wright, J, Walls
J.Stenhouse, H. Howell, J. Armour, E. Robinson, W. Grills, E. Mason
D. Campbell, W. Turnbull, F. Williams, A. McIntyre, J. Durie,
J. Brewster.

Adamstown
A.Dunn, W.Lewis, B.Gardner, J.Jenkins, W.Jones, H.Smith, S.Bush
Charlie Nix, O.Lewis, G.Pollock, A.Fraser, R.Nichols,
J.Shipley

Plattsburg
J. Dunbar, T. Colquhoun, W. Stein, R. Lidbury, W. Cameron, C. Ward,
G. Hancock, D. Howe, R. Estell, A. Outram, J. Jobling, A. Hopkins,
E. Baldwin, N. Wakeman, A. Morris, J. Bennett, F. Bennett,
H. Brown, T. Devon, L. Clements, S. Smith, H. Hoff, J. Broadfoot.

Hamilton
E.Horner, E.Hodges, J.Stevenson, E.R.Allen, Rupert Allen,
G.Atkinson, C.Beck, A.Crampton, A.Patrick, J.Beckley, C.Rae,
A.Myers, J.O'Brien, A, Cook, H. Mullane, D. Griffiths,
H.O'Shannessy, G.Patterson, W.Middleton, S.Anderson,
G.Kerr, W.McNaughton, G.Murchie, S.Krempkin.

Minmi
F. Harvey, J. Richards, D. Williams, P. McLaughlin, H. Knight,
R. Clark, R. Dobie, H. Lennard, F. Renfrew, H. Glossop, H. Bath,
J. Chalmers, E. Lexton, A. Woods, R. Perry, E. Knott, J. Hogg
J. Fairlie, S. Banfield, H. Shields, W. Black, J. Gill, A. Pugh
G. Williams, H. Shears, C. Muir, J. Brown, W. Whiley, H. Renfrew,
H. Brown.

Wallsend
A.Lonsdale, B.O'Donnell.T.Mahoney, T.Wilkinson, S.Dobell,
C.Murnain, H.Morgan, F.McCroary, H.Bennett, W.King,
A.Creighton, C.Pepperall, A.Drysdale, C.Bennett, B.Bower,
W.Maddison.

Lower Grades

In the 2nd Grade, the entries were Teralb Rangers, Hamilton, Kurri Kurri, Adamstown Rosebud, Merewether Advance, West

Wallsend and Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs.

The final was played between Adamstown Rosebud (3) and Teralba Rangers (0)

The Teams were

Adamstown Rosebud 3 v Teralba Rangers

Coates

Morris L. Sneddon C.Lilley

Pee1 McLaughlin J.McAlpine W.McAlpine

Hopton Harris Jennings

E. Jepson F. Wilkins T.O'Brien

B. Jennings H. Robinson E.Price

J. Stubbs J. Brown

Edwards M. Roach

J. Barnes

Referee Mr Ellis.

In the 3rd Grade, the entries were Kurri Kurri, Weston Advance, Hamilton, Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs, Wallsend Rovers, Wallsend Royals, Killingsworth Violets, West Wallsend, Merewether Advance, Minmi Wanderers, Dudley Thistles, Windy Creek, Minmi Squashes. The final was between Minmi Wanderers and Minmi Squashes

with Wanderers being the winners Wanderers team was.R.Jack, J.Bilbie, G.Rennix, J.Wells, W. Brown, A. Duncan, N. McLeish, A. Renfrew, J. Russell, W. Long, A. Shepherd, E.H. Emery, J. Dick, J. Hinman, D. Cox.

Juniors

In the junior division, 11 entries were received. In the final, Adamstown defeated West Wallsend. Adamstown's winning team was. J. Dunne, M. Edden, R. Stewart, R. Winwood, E. Dixon, A. Jennings, N. Lee, T. Turnbull, H. Ryan, T. Beddow, R. Love, J. Logan, W. Powell

Referee's

J.D. Hamilton, E. Gilpin, F. Jennings, H. Spiers, J. Houston, W. McLeish W.Maxwell, W.Neal, C.Faith, W.Ellis.

Schools

In the school competition six entries were received.

FORMATION OF Weston

WESTON

It was late in 1906, when the Hetton Coal Mining complex (New-custle) sent a party of workmen to develop the site at Hebburn Colliery near Weston.

Among this group were quite a number of soccer enthusiasts from the Adamstown area. One, Ed Bartley, a former Rosebud official, and one of five brothers who all wore with distinction the Rosebud colours, persuaded a group to form a soccer club. It was rather an unofficial sort of meeting.

At this stage, the Rosebuds were a divided club, so Bartley knew he could muster a few discontents to strengthen his Weston team. Eartley submitted an application to the N.D.B.F.A. for a senior and Ind Junior grade teams. On his application he submitted the following details —

- 1. Name of club Weston Advance.
- 2. Colours Black with red hoops.
- 3. Ground Weston Cricket Ground.
- 4. Secretary Ed Bartley.
- 5. Players Registered -

Senior team: A. Elliott, A. Bailey, A. Bartley, A. Ward, A. Sneddon, Jack Sneddon, Jas Sneddon, A. Rae, E. Bartley, F. Bartley, J. Kemp, M. Cook, D. Roach.

2nd Juniors: J. Cook, W. Dodd, D. Fraser, H. Kembrey, W. J. Kembrey, J. Freeburn, W. Scott, J. Gemmell, C. Masters, M. Ramsay, W. McDonald, W. Jarvie, R. Truscott, T. Wardrop, C. French, G. Turnbull, J. Robinson, J. Oglethorpe, W. Sneddon, W. Ashman, W. Davidson.

The senior grade only attracted three entries, Rosebuds, Royal Arthur, Weston.

For the Ellis Cup, only two entries were received — Weston and Royal Arthur (Broadmeadow).

The association decided that three matches be played — one on each home ground and the third on a neutral ground.

The first tie, played at Weston, ended in a 1 all draw and over 500 people welcomed the new sport. Ashman peored Weston's goal.

In the second clash at Broadmeadow, the scores were level at 2 all with five minutes left to play. The locals scored again but uproar resulted as neutrals argued that the ball had missed the Weston upright, to be kicked back into play by a spectator and snapped up by a Broadmeadow player and kicked into net. Pandemonium broke out and Weston left the field in protest.

The association conducted an inquiry and refused Weston's demand for a replay. Their scorers were A. Rae and D. Roach. The Weston club then withdrew from the series.

The club had grown in depth as a strong 3rd grade team comprising H. Jewell. W. Hailstone, G. Turnbull, T. Elliott, D. Kembrey, G. Embleton, R. Dixon, E. France, J. Burt, E. Davis, M. Collins, W. James. John Wardrop and Alec Gemmell played a series of fruitful friendlies against Pelaw Main, Kurri Royals. Heddon Greta, East Greta and Greta. The club officials showed ambition by entering the Gardiner Cup (Statewide) along with their old rivals, Broadmeadow.

Their first tie took them to Sydney where they put up a keen fight before bowing out to Pyrmont by 2 to 0.

This match was of some historical interest as it was the first time a Coalfield team had entered this Statewide series.

In 1908, Bartley disappeared from the scene and J. Robinson was elected sceretary. For the first time a 3rd grade team entered the N.D.B.F.A.

Registered players were — R. Dixon, D. Gilpin, A. Jennings, J. Robinson, J. Jarvie, J. Wardrop, D. Kembrey, G. Turnbull, B. Hardesty, W. McDonald, T. Elliott, G. Embleton, W. Jarvie, G. Lynch, H. Kembrey, J. Williams, J. McCabe, D. Carney, Geo. Muir.

Here research by Weston's Former president, Mr. Alan Lamb, makes a worthy contribution to this club's history.

The club was made a local one and a meeting was held in Mrs. Hales' Cafe in Aberdare Street, Weston, attracting over 25 enthusiasts. A civic identity, Mr. S. R. Phillips, chaired the first four meetings as it was made clear that the town needed a soccer club. A former Adamstown official. Mr. Peter Finlayson, also gave valuable advice.

Season 1909 was an uneventful one for Weston but the club co-operated with other Coalfield clubs to stage the West Australia v Coalfield XI at Maitland in May. Weston's two representatives were A. McNaughton and W. Ashman.

The arrival in Weston of former English player, Bill Hindmarsh, proved a boon to the club. Colours were changed to black and white stripes with black knickers. The team re-entered the senior ranks and players registered were — Bondi Neal, A. Lavender, C. Cartwright, J. Bullawell, A. McNaughton, A. Cook, A. Jennings, J. O'Brien, J. Barnes, C. Burn and J. Jowett.

In 1911, the club played in the 3rd grade and the following players were used — Dixon, Jarvie, Hindmarsh, Jarvie, Bates, Smith, Sneddon, Logan, Harker, Crowley, Turnbull.

In 1912, Weston entered a strengthened 2nd grade series in which Merewether, West Wallsend, Killingworth and Weston staged a keen and prolonged battle for supremacy. In the semi-finals, Weston beat West Wallsend by 2 to 1, and Killingworth outed Merewether by 2 to 1.

In the final replay Weston beat Killingworth by 1 to 0, the important goal being netted by Ord, after a 3 all draw. Weston's eleven included — Smith, Jarvie, Hindmarsh, Williams, W. Sneddon, J. Sneddon, Smith, Bates, Keeling, Ord, Mather.

These last three games made soccer Weston's top sport and Hindmarsh and Mather were the season's stars. Great local enthusiasm marked Weston's progress in the 1913 second grade series, which contained 10 entrants. After a hectic campaign, Weston met Minmi in second semi-final a result, a scoreless draw. In replay, Weston outed their rivals by _ to 0 — in the final played at Holmesville, Merewether took out the title by 2 to 1.

In semi-final. Weston's XI was Logan, Hindmarsh, Gilmour, Williams. Cameron. Mather. Sneddon. Kidd. Beverley, McNaughton, Tweedle — in the final. Bowie in goal. Stoker. Tickle replaced Logan, Beverley and Sneddon. Players J. Bates and B. Stephenson also were regulars.

In 1914, Weston entered both senior and second grade premiership. In the former, Weston won the flag on 10 points with Merewether on 9, West Wallsend 8, Cessnock 8 and Wallsend 3.

Big capture was Lambert. Ramage, Dave Clark. Dick Austen and Jim Bellamy. In the Ellis Cup. Weston 4 beat Minmi 3 after being 3 down at the interval. Rain fell unceasingly and Weston used correct tactics to snatch the winning goal in the 89th minute.

In the semi-final, Weston beat Wallsend by 3 to 0 but were beaten in the final 1 to 0 by Merewether.

Their final team comprised — H. Smith, J. Gilmour, A. Ramage, J. Snedden, R. Austen, J. Laird, J. Wardlaugh, D. Clarke, W. Lambert, W. Snedden, J. Bellamy.

Others who played in the series were J. Mather, J. Stoker, Kidd, Tweedle, Johnson.

Stoker and D. Clarke won interdistrict honours. In the Gardiner Cup series, Weston beat West Wallsend (3 to 1). Holroyd (2 to 0) but failed by 3 to 2 v Granville in the State semi-final. Scorers for Weston were D. Clarke and W. Lambert. Weston's XI — H. Smith. J. Gilmour. A. Ramage, R. Austen, J. Laird, J. Snedden, J. Wardlough, D. Clarke, W. Lambert, J. Stoker, J. Bellamy.

World War I saw many deflections by enlistments in A.I.F. Weston entered 2nd Grade series so Lambert, Gilmour, Ramage, Clarke, Mather joined West Wallsend. Despite the loss of this outstanding talent, Weston created much local enthusiasm by taking out the 2nd Grade title by beating a much fancied rival, Adamstown, by 5 to 2. The "Geordies" fielded brilliant newcomers in Jack Avis, Bob Austen, Duxfield, Herb Bellamy.

Many oldtimers tell how this final victory rekindled enthusiasm in Weston during the trying war years. Their final eleven comprised — Bob Austen, Hindmarsh, J. Henry, Dick Austen, J. Snedden, Duxfield, Avis, H. Beilamy, W. Beverley, J. Veitch, J. Bellamy, Scorers in that final were J. Bellamy (2). Avis (2), Beverley (1).

War conditions altered competitions in 1916 and the "All Aged" was the top ranking series.

Weston entered two teams. "A" and "B", and after seven series Weston "B" topped on 13 points. Weston "A" on 11. Newcastle on 10 and Wallsend on 9 — which quartet qualified for semi-finals. In first semi-final. Weston "A" and Newcastle played 0 all draw but Weston won the replay by 2 to 0. In the second semi-final, Weston "B" outed Wallsend by 2 to 0.

What a sensation for the club — "A" v "B" in the final on the Homestead Ground. Gate was £78 at 6d. for males, ladies free. After 90 gruelling minutes, in which both contestants shared the honours — score NIL ALL. After the final whistle, referee J. Sanderson said. "I've never refereed a better game. Both sets of players gave of their best and the crowd cheered them on."

Teams were — "A": Herb Smith, Morgan, Campbell, Kell, Snedden, Duxfield, Clarke, Taylor, Johnson, Brunskill, Davis, "B" Wes Smith, Lambert, Henry, Taft, Hollingsworth, Dick Austen, Beverley, Gilbertson, R. Austen, McNaughton, Henry Tweddle — Avis was unavailable.

The replay was taken to Blackburn Oval to allow Newcastle fans to see these two great elevens in action. But nature deposed and the game was played under very wet conditions. It was a very overcast day and players had great difficulty in controlling the impish ball. Wes Smith was replaced in goal by Bob Austen and Jack Avis led the attack. It was well into the second half, when Avis netted the all important goal.

The Ail Aged idea was repeated in 1917 but Weston's two teams were differently labelled — Weston Albions (blue and white) and Weston Magpies (black and white).

With a competition of eight teams — a full series of 14 matches were completed. Weston Albions and West Wallsend were equal on the top with 20 points, Wallsend on 19 and Weston Magpies on 18.

By the luck of the draw, the two Weston teams were together in the second semi-final played at Abermain. Over 1,000 fans packed into the park where they had drama after drama — a riot — nearby mounted troopers called to clear the ground — final result 1 all draw.

Teams: Magpies — H. Smith. Campbell, Snedden, Kell. Shields, Duxfield, H. Bellamy, Barker, Corrigan, R. Tweddle, J. Bellamy.

Albions — R. Austen, Lambert, Hicks, D. Austen, Strange, Wake, McNaughton, Avis, Graham, J. Tweddle.

Scorers: Magpies 1 (J. Bellamy) v Albions 1 (McNaughton).

Fearing further trouble, the replay was taken to Blackburn Oval. When Albion won by 3 to 0 Taylor replaced Wake in the Albion team while Patterson and Lynch replaced Barker and Corrigan in the Magpies' eleven.

Scorers for Albion were J. Avis (2) and Tweddle (1).

A week later in the final on the same enclosure. Wallsend ran out winners by 2 to 0, both goals to Bert Manifield, who later became a eading Methodist Clergyman.

Albion XI — R. Austen, W. Lambert, J. Hicks, D. Austen, J. Strange, H. Hollingsworth, McNaughton, B. Taylor, J. Avis, L. Graham, W. Tweddle, During this season, eight Westonites gained interdistrict honours. To aid coal production for the war effort, localised competitions were in full force in 1918.

Weston won the Hemmings Cup without suffering a loss, scoring 20 goals for and 5 against. But all eyes turned to the fight for the famous Gardiner Cup. Any two South Maitland All Aged teams were allowed to unite for this trophy so Weston United was the chosen name for the Homestead contenders. In first round, Weston 1 beat Wallsend 0 — protest was upheld and in replay a bitterly fought 1 all draw. In further replay, Weston ran out winners by 5 to 0.

In the Cup semi-final. Weston 3 beat Cessnock 1 and qualified to meet Balmain Kiora at Epping. The game drew a crowd of over 2,000 and the only goal was netted by Duxfield giving the Coalies their first Gardiner Cup.

Balmain lodged a series of protests which were all ruled out. When the Cup winners returned to Weston on the Sunday night, a huge crowd of 5,000 plus the local band gave them a right royal velcome.

However, the Gardiner Cup did not arrive with the team. It came later after the series of frivolous protests were rejected.

Weston's final team included — Bob Austen, Bill Lambert (Capt.), J. Henry, Dick Austen, H. Hollingworth, J. Duxfield, Bill Beverley, Len Pugh, Jack Avis, Andy McNaughton, Jim Bellamy — only two Australian-born players. Andy McNaughton and Len Pugh.

The 1919 season was badly affected by the influenza epidemic and attendances at the Homestead were severely affected. However, Weston retained the Hemmings Cup by beating Cessnock in final by 2 to 1. Trouble marked the last 10 minutes of play. When Avis netted the winning goal, Cessnock appealed for "off-side". Arguments began and one Cessnock player was ordered off. The other Cessnock players left the field. Later the Cup was awarded to Weston and Cessnock reprimanded for its unsporting action. The club officials apologised.

In their quest to retain the Gardiner Cup, "The Geordies" went down gallantly. In sequence, Weston beat Balmain Caledonians (1 to 0), Canterbury (0 all) (9 to 0) in replay in semi-final 0 all v West Wallsend: beaten 3 to 0 in replay — forced to play second half with

More settled conditions marked the 1920 season. Four young stars in Tommy Oliver, Keith Rodgers, Sam Hawke and Jim Logan were included in the first. Jack "Kewpie" Mather suffered a serious leg injury which ended his long and meritorious career with the club. Whilst in the A.I.F. abroad, he received an offer to join Aston Villa in 1918. Later, he became a State Director and a great worker and asset to the code. In 1936, he returned to North of England to Blyth to take over the family business. Later, he passed away in 1937 at Kenton near Newcastle-on-Tyne.

In the semi-final, Weston was knocked out by Wallsend (3 to 0). Weston XI — Cockburn, Endean, Oliver, Rodgers, Lambert, Creighton, Self, Taylor, Avis, Hawke, J. Bellamy.

In the Gardiner Cup semi-final, after playing a 2 all draw against the strong Balmain Fernleigh XI — Weston bowed out to the tune of 2 to 1. Jack Avis with 12 was the season's top scorer.

Before the curtain had fallen on the 1921 season, stark tragedy hit the Homestead club. Its captain and stalwart defender, Bill Lambert, was fatally injured in Hebburn Mine. Injured in a fall of coal, he fought for four days but died on the Saturday.

A special chapter on Weston's string of tragedies is told elsewhere. Again Avis with 12 goals was the club's leading scorer.

A clever young centre, "Crabbie" McCroarey joined the Homestead squad in 1922 along with Penman, Jock Martin, Geo. Avis, Richardson, Bates and Adams. Jack Avis missed many games through injury. The club's chief achievement was to qualify for Kerr Cup final v Wallsend, which they won rather easily by 5 to 1. Weston's XI was — R. Cockburn, T. Oliver, J. Penman, G. Avis, J. Martin, J. Bates, H. Adams, C. Richardson, J. McCroarey, J. Gilmour, J. Mather. Their life in the Gardiner Cup was brief — out in 1st round to Wallsend by 1 to 0. Scorers were Gilmour (17), McCroarey (15). In 1923, new signatures included Creighton, Liddle, Derricott, Lloyd, Rodgers, while Jack Avis, fit again, became the club's regular pivot.

Weston qualified for the semi-finals and after eliminating Wallsend by 1 to 0, went on to take the season's honours by a 3 to 2 win over Adamstown. Weston's final team included R. Austen, T. Oliver, J. Bates, A. Liddle, J. Avis, H. Bellamy, J. Gallagher, J. Gilmour, J. McCroarey, J. Grant, H. Adams.

Season's chief scorers were: J. McCroarey (20) and J. Gilmour (11). New faces on the Homestead turf in 1924 included Jim Farrey, J. Wigham, E. Tate, J. Mathieson and G. Grant. Success this season was very limited. In the Kerr Cup semi-final, Weston were outed by Adamstown by 4 to 0 while West Wallsend by 3 to 0 ended their Gardiner Cup quest. Goal scoring revealed McCroarey at the top with 17 goals.

Season 1925 saw the arrival at Weston of Jacky Manion from nearby Abermain. A speedy attacker, Manion often gave a classical demonstration of sheer brilliance. He soon became a favourite on all Northern grounds.

The results were only ordinary yet the team managed to make the Kerr Cup final, when it was soundly thrashed by Adamstown by 9 to 2. Their eleven on that day comprised R. Austen, J. Grant, J. Maloney, Liddle, J. Avis, R. McDonald, Tate, Richardson, McCroarey, Manion, Stroker — as many rabid club loyalists remarked, "a day to forget!"

The club lost the Stevenson Cup final by 5 to 2 to Cessnock. The same opposition ended their Gardiner Cup run by 2 to 1. Chief goal-scorers were McCroarey (19) and J. Manion (13).

In 1926, improved goalscoring results by Manion (20), McCroarey (17), W. Avis (11), added strength to the Geordies' challenge for honours.

When Neath withdrew, Weston received the services of Henwood, Purcell and Drinkwater. While a volatile junior, Jimmy McNabb wore the club's colours for the first time. Despite two brilliant goals by Manion, Weston was ko'ed by Adamstown by 5 to 2 in Kerr Cup semi-final. It is worthy to note that the club's reserve eleven beat Pelaw Main by 4 to 3 in final. Winning team comprised Turner, Butler. Smith. Rogerson, E. Williams, Patterson, H. Bellamy, Tate, Bryce, Villiams, Marriott.

For 1927, there were many changes in the Homestead staff. Bob Austen went to Cessnock, Farrey to Kurri, Drinkwater to Aberdare, while McCroarey's appearances were limited due to a knee injury. Among new arrivals were Charlie Thompson, T. McNabb, R. Gibson, Blane and the Williams brothers "Dummy" and Ellis.

The early exit from the Gardiner Cup by Cessnock rocked the confidence of the team. Manion had a highly successful season with 32 goals with "Dummy" Williams on 15. With the advent of the

State League, Weston's recruitment included W. Victor, E. Mitchell, W. Weir, Sid Masters, Doyle, Jim Kemp, along with old stalwarts in Manion, McNabb, Charlie Thompson, McCroarey, R. Gibson.

Weston did well in the inaugural State Cup by qualifying for the final, in which tie it went down to Aberdare. Its eleven included: S. Tredennick, W. Victor, J. McNabb, J. McCroarey, C. Thompson, E. Mitchell, E. Tate, W. Weir, J. Manion, R. Gibson, S. Masters. Chief goalscorers were Manion (35), McCroarey (12), Manion taking out the honour for the State. Eight of his tally were scored in State Cup ties. For the 1929 campaign, Weston sought reinforcements and Muir (West Wallsend). H. Biggers (Cessnock), H. Walters (Cardiff), W. Whitelaw (Cessnock), were signed.

Then the advent of a breakaway State League in 1943 saw Weston, like all other Coalfields clubs, out in the cold. Shakespeare, J. Kemp, J. Leddon, Alby Jenkins, Drinkwater and Paddocks did not return. Only "Sketa" Wilkinson and Ern Kemp remained. Local return: included Humble, Ron Wilkinson, K. Bellamy, A. Maxwell, Skinson, W. Langlands, A. Hindmarsh. Humble on 16 was the only double-figure scorer.

The future for the famous club was bleak to say the least. Like all champion clubs, time generally brings bad days, financial prob-

lems and relegation.

In 1944-45, Weston struggled in an inferior Northern League; 1946 in 2nd Division, while there followed several seasons of total shutdown. Even Abermain Park was their home venue without success.

Seasons 1953-1961 formed a period of depression and negative results. In 1963 Weston secured ninth place in a 10 team 2nd Division, but the following season there were signs of a recovery with 16 wins and one loss. In the semi-final, Weston beat Belmont-Swansea by 3 to 1 and beat Dudley by 2 to 1 in the 2nd Division final. Its final eleven comprised: W. Mahoney, C. Allanson, T. Harper, B. Davies, E. Kemp Jnr., R. Morris, J. Sneddon, N. Jackson, J. Drink-water, M. Hamilton, G. Hanney, water, M. Hamilton, G. Heaney.

That success won promotion back to 1st Division and a new

era of triumph was well under way.

The 1964 season was a hard road back. Best success was in the Under 21 years grade where Weston and Wallsend topped the table on 30 points each. In that young group under care of J. Drinkwater, the following players showed great promise: C. Jurd, R. Morris, R. Mort, A. McDonald, M. Vernon, N. Clifton, B. Oliver, C. Rae, R. Hindmarsh, G. McSweeney.

In the senior ranks, Gary Heaney (12), N. Jackson (12), Ian Thompson (10) were top scorers, while Max Hamilton, Bill Mahoney, Noel Maddison, B. Davies, E. Kemp Jnr., R. Hines, K. Urwin were regulars.

For the 1966 season, new recruits included J. Kidd, J. Sheen, Lambkin, T. Harper. The club finished in tenth position out of 12 and was eliminated in the first round of the Craven A Cup by Mayfield.

A similar disappointing return came in 1967, but with a re-organised committee headed by a local businessman, Mr. Alan Lamb, the whole concept was altered in 1968.

Lamb realised that there was a dearth of talent among local juniors so he persuaded the club to request player, Ian Thompson to scout overseas for new recruits. The first of this contingent arrived for the 1968 season. Locals enrolled were J. Smith (goalie), A. Mc-Donald, J. Power, T. Barr, Tom Sneddon, G. Norgard and W. Barker. The new policy paid dividends as Weston qualified for the premiership semi-final for first time in a decade. Despite a terrific effort, it went down to Belmont-Swansea by 3 to 2. Weston's eleven comprised: Smith, McDonald, T. Barr, Lambkin, J. Taylor, J. Power, W. Barker, T. Sneddon, G. Norgard, J. Sloan, G. Heaney.

1907 Formation of Cessnock

CESSNOCK

On several occasions during the last 20 years, doubt has been expressed about the birth of soccer in Cessnock.

To get down to the basic truths, the writer began a detailed research including personal interviews with old Bob Harden (ex-West Wallsend skipper), Tom Rennix, "Tup" Rennex, Alf Brunskill, Alec Renfrew and others.

But the truth of this problem came out when a former Secretary of the N.D.B.F.A., Mr. George Reay of Dudiey, presented me with both the official minute-book and registrar of players book for the period 1902-1911.

This indicated clearly that soccer started in Cessnock in April, 1907. A group of 15 sportsmen met on a vacant allotment just south of the Cessnock Railway Station. Many of these enthusiasts were recent arrivals from Minmi, West Wallsend, Greta and Stockton. The Pate brothers, Bob and Wal, along with Andy Stewart, formed the first executive. Colours chosen were black shirt with green hoops. Name of club was registered as Cessnock Starlights. The first ground was a large vacant area near where the Aberdare Park was established 15 years later.

Full list of players was: J. Freeburn, R. Pate, N. Thompson, F. Mark, W. Willis, A. Stewart, W. Pate, J. Ward, O. Lane, G. Volger, S. Andrews, A. Howard, C. Henderson, P. Martin, W. Marsh, W. Hodant, J. Jeffries.

The first match was between Minmi Squashers and the Starlights at Cessnock on 17th May, 1907 — won by Minmi by 3 to 1. The social side of the visit was a great success as within three months, over five of that Minmi eleven were back working in Cessnock. It is worth noting that the first certificated referee living in Cessnock was Geo. Newton, late of Lambton.

There was soon a demand for better soccer. Luckily the club affairs fell into the hands of former Minmi official, Tom Rennex. At the beginning of 1908, Rennex submitted a senior entry — Cessnock Mountaineers. Rennex in his address to the delegates, painted such a glowing picture of the code's progress, that first class status was gained. Within months, a strong combination was practising — including Bob Harden, H. Freeburn, W. Robertson, J. Valance, J. Chalmers, J. Cook, J. Johnston, W. Taylor, H. Barr, T. Hill, W. Oswaid, F. Fleming, W. Priestley, A. Durne, J. Milne, W. Taylor.

The first senior match in Cessnock in May, 1908 was Adamstown v Cessnock — result 2 all draw. A month later. Cessnock had a clever 3 to 1 win over Royal Arthurs — a team which included such well known players as Jack Doyle, "Brolgy" Eigey, Andy McNaughton, Bob Lidbury, Fred Jennings, Dave Russell and J. Jones. The Cessnock's Second grade team included: J. Tait, J. Turnbull, T. Spowart, J. Harden, A. Blain, J. Wardrop, E. Callaghan, J. Ashman, J. Lewis, J. Stewart, P. Parker, G. Clark, W. Taylor and E. Sneddon. The round ball game had been successfully planted at the western end of the Coalfields, to where hundreds of workers flocked for permanent work in the recently opened collieries.

In 1909, travelling difficulties saw Cessnock initiate a S. Maitland premiership with teams from Cessnock, Weston, Kurri and East Greta, with Cessnock taking out the honours. The players involved included Bob Harden, J. Freeburn, C. Callaghan, T. Russell, J. Ballard, R. Leckie, T. Spowart, T. Jeffreys, A. Fauld, A. Blain, T. Wardrop, J. Wardrop, J. Marshall, J. Williams, Other honours were the inclusion of four players, Bob Harden, W. Howe, T. Wardrop and A. Corrigan in the first ever S. Maitland representative eleven versus West Australia in Maitland.

In 1911, there was renewed enthusiasm and it was a great achievement for Cessnock to beat Merewether in the Ellis Cup final by 2 to 1. The players were — T. Spowart, G. Rennex, J. Harden, A. Walker, J. Gaul, A. Renfrew, R. Harden, C. Waite, W. Faulds, J. Brown, W. Clayton, Andy Renfrew, J. Clarke.

The season 1912 saw Cessnock again retain the coveted Ellis Cup by beating West Wallsend in final replay by 1 to 0 after 1 all draw at their first meeting. Tup Rennex converted a penalty to decide the issue. The club colours were changed to black and gold — a suggestion adopted after letter from a keen supporter of Wolver-kampton Wanderers and a Scot from Aberdeen.

The arrival in Cessnock of two former Scottish juniors, brothers Jimmy and Wal Thomson, were outstanding gains. Jimmy Thomson hailed from Ormiston Star's near Elphingstone. Jimmy Thomson soon became an outstanding back. He was on the point of signing professional forms for the famous Edinburgh's Hearts of Midlothian when he decided to migrate to Australia with his brother Wal, a very clever inside-forward. Cessnock eleven in final included T. Spowart, G. Rennex. J. Thomson, A. Walker, J. Gaul, A. Renfrew, C. Waite, W. Thomson, W. Faulds, J. Brown, H. Clayton.

In 1913, Jimmy Thomson captained a Newcastle XI v Queensland at Newcastle, winning by 2 to 1 — J. Clarke was Cessnock's other representative. Later in the season, a Combined Northern XI was chosen to tour Queensland — four Cessnock players won inclusion: Jimmy Thomson (Capt.), R. Elgey, W. Brown, Wal Thomson.

Cessnock third grade lost the final to Minmi by 2 to 1.

Cessnock entered the Gardiner Cup for first time and after a 2 all draw at Cessnock went out by 1 to 0 in replay in Sydney against Balmain Gladstones.

Cessnock's first eleven in a Gardiner Cup tie comprised: R. Elgey, J. Thomson (Capt.), A. Rennex, W. Brown, J. Clarke, J. Marshall, Wal Thomson, W. McBlane, J. Brown, H. Clayton, A. Renfrew.

In replay, Stevenson and Turner replaced the injured J. Brown and H. Clayton. In the inter-district game Newcastle v Sydney in Sydney, J. Thomson and J. Clarke won caps. World War I upset the usual competitions, but J. Thomson, J. Laird won inter-district honours again. However, Cessnock went down to Merewether by 2 to 1 for the Kerr Cup or premiership final.

Cessnock XI for that game was: Harold, Ross, G. Rennix, Anderson, Laird, J. Thomson, Renfrew, Colquohan, Hancock, Davis, J. Toweth.

At the annual meeting early in 1917, the club officials reported that 33 club players had joined the Services. With a shortage of senior players Cessnock entered the "All Aged" series.

The focus in this era turned towards Weston where the Homestead ground became the centre for soccer activity. In 1918, two Cessnock teams entered the All Aged S. Maitland series, but Weston 1905 out the Heming Cup by 2 to 1 against Cessnock "B".

Important was the Cessnock Under-18 years team which finished on top of the series, but was knocked out by Kurri in the semi-final. The players were: Rennex, Player, Diver, G. Williams, Gibson, Stewart, Waite, Brown, Fairhall, Elliott, Hafey, Roe, Stevenson, Hodge, Hedley.

During this season, J. Thomson, Brunskill, A. Renfrew, Hancock, Davis won places in the district eleven. In the 1919 Heming Cup

final, Cessnock met Weston and led by 1 to 0 at half-time. However, there were dramatic scenes in second half. Weston equalised and in the 72nd minute Avis scored the winning goal — Cessnock protested "off-side" and left the field.

At a special meeting the Cup was awarded to Weston and Cessnock reprimanded for its unsporting action.

Both linesmen agreed with referee's decision.

Cessnock officials tendered an apology.

Top scorers during season were: G. Hancock (8). A. Renfrew (8), J. Auld (7), J. Brunskill (5).

Players used during season included: W. Smith, G. Rennex, L. Muir, A. Clarke, J. Strong, W. Durie, A. Renfrew, J. Brunskill, J. Auld, G. Hancock, A. Colquohan, Alex Renfrew.

The administration of the club was strengthened and more upto-date methods of training were adopted. "Tup" Rennex was the power behind the uplift.

A strong eleven was recruited, and the club won a major honour when it won the Nurse Cup (South Coast K.O. Championship). Players included G. Wells, L. Muir, G. Rennex, G. Williams, T. Nixon, P. Lennard, R. Lennard, A. Rowe, G. Rowe, E. Williams, L. Brown, B. Endear, J. Strang, J. Clarke, A. Renfrew, J. Diver.

In the Gardiner Cup, Cessnock put up a very meritorious effort with the following results — 0 all v West Wallsend, in replay 5 to 2 win: lost 3 to 5 v Annandale.

So 1920 was a very satisfactory season for the "Nocks". Further consolidation was gained in 1921.

In the Gardiner Cup. victories were recorded against Newcastle City (2 to 1) and Balgownie (2 to 1) before the "Nocks" were beaten by West Wallsend by 2 to 1 in the third round. In the Kerr Cup final, Cessnock lost to Wallsend by 2 to 0 — the losing team included: Sneddon. G. Williams, G. Carmichael, R. Lennard, G. Rennix, W. Durie, G. Rowe, L. Brown, P. Lennard, J. Strange, E. Williams — other players used were G. Skipton, R. Williams, G. Weils, L. Muir. Top goalscorers were P. Lennard 21, J. Strange 12, L. Brown 10. In the Premiership semi-final, Cessnock beat Weston by 3 to 1 but lost the final to West Wallsend by 2 to 0. Cessnock's final team was: Sneddon, G. Williams, R. Harden, Durie, Rennex, R. Lennard, L. Brown, G. Rowe, J. Strange, P. Lennard, E. Williams.

The season 1922 saw the retirement as a player of "Tup" Rennix whose effort for Cessnock and Minmi made him one of the code's "greats". He made over 200 senior appearances and was crowned "the penalty King" for his conversion of "spot kicks". Rennix, however, continued to serve the club until the mid-thirties.

The season created increased attendances and wild enthusiasm was shown when Cessnock and Wallsend met thrice in the Ellis Cup semi-finals (0-0) and (0-0), before Cessnock won by 4 to 0.

Regular players were F. Jones, G. Williams, W. Durie, R. Lennard, J. Strange, G. Rowe, E. Williams, P. Lennard, E. Hodge, R. Harden, L. Brown, J. Auld, G. Hancock. Goalscorers were P. Lennard 17, A. Hancock 7, L. Brown 6.

Progress continued in 1923, when the homegate Cassnock 1 v Kurri 1 drew £125 — entrance 9d, with ladies and children free.

The players used were F. Jones, J. Hannah, A. Thomson, G. Williams, Durie, Lidbury, Rowe, E. Williams, P. Lennard, E. Lee, J. Mathieson, L. Brown, Maloney, McNaughton, E. Hodge, J. Sternback, McCort. Cessnock won the Kerr Cup final by downing Wallsend by 2 to 1 in a 90-minute thriller.

Cessnock's XI in the final comprised: Hannah, Lidbury, Williams, J. Wilson, Durie, Rowe, McNaughton, Brown, Hodge, Lennard, McCort.

Increased support was noted in 1923 when Cessnock finished level with Wallsend on 25 points, to share premiership honours. However, in the play-off, Wallsend won a closely contested match by 2 to 1. Cessnock's team was: W. Hannah, G. Williams, W. Thomson, J. Wilson, G. Slarks, D. Harden, E. Williams, P. Lennard, J. Murdock, C. Williams, McNaughton.

Other players used during season included: G. Rowe, Durie, A. See. Hodge. McWilliams. R. Lennard. Hughes, A. Thomson.

Goalscorers of note were P. Lennard 16. D. Harden 14, C. Wiliams 40. The outstanding achievement in 1925 was Cessnock's appearance in the Gardiner Cup final.

During early rounds, "Nocks" beat St. George (4 to 0), Weston (2 to 1), West Wallsend (2 to 1), only to go down to Adamstown by 2 to 0 in the final.

Cessnock regained prestige by reversing scores in Ellis Cup final by beating Adamstown by 2 to 1.

Winning eleven: G. Bower, G. Williams, J. Rollo, G. Slarks, E. Hodge, G. Rowe, E. Williams, H. Otto, R. McNaughton, P. Lennard, Tonner.

Goalscorers during long season were: Tonner 14, P. Lennard 13, C. Williams 10, E. Hodge 7.

Other players used included M. Sternbeck, G. Turner, A. See, W. Stoker, W. Carroll, W. Thomson, A. Thomson, J. Losby.

In the Stevenson Cup final, Cessnock beat Weston by 5 to 2.

Success continued in 1926, when Cessnock beat West Wallsend by 1 to 0 in premiership final after beating Aberdare by 3 to 1 in

the semi-final. Goalscorers for the year were: P. Lennard 17, C. Williams 15, E. Hodge 10, R. McNaughton 10.

Cessnock XI — R. Austen, E. Hodge, T. Green, H. Otto, J. Taylor, J. Harden, C. Williams, P. Hogan, A. Park, R. McNaughton, J. Wilkinson. The team also won the Stevenson Cup by beating Weston 5 to 2 at Kurri.

Soccer reached its zenith as far as popularity was concerned, when Cessnock joined the new Statewide league in 1928. The aggregate crowd for season reached all-time record. In 10 home games, nine were won, one drawn and 35 goals scored against 7 conceded.

Cessnock won the inaugural championship, finishing four points clear of their nearest rival, Gladesville-Ryde on 28 points. Playing details were: R. Austen 23, E. Hodge 22, J. Taylor 21, C. Williams 21, P. Lennard 21, P. Johns 19, W. Gregory 19, T. Green 18, Jack Wilkinson 18, H. Otto 17, J. Harden 15, J. Donnelly 12, E. Odgers 11, W. Ross 6, J. Forgie 6, G. Wilkinson 2, S. Bowden 1, T. Odgers 1. Goalscorers were P. Johns 17, P. Lennard 15, C. Williams 13, J. Wilkinson 5, E. Odgers 4. Cessnock were recognised by all as "worthy State Champions". Successful as the 1928 season was, the next campaign proved even more rewarding, for the Coalfields stars won the "double" — league and State Cup.

In the league a ding-dong tussle with near neighbours Kurri developed, and at the end both rivals ended level on 41 points, but the "Nocks" won on goal averages.

Cessnock's home record was superb — played 13, won 13 — scoring 70 goals to 15.

In its Cup campaign, Cessnock beat Woonona (6 to 2), Aberdare (5 to 1), Granville (4 to 1) semi-final, and in the Cup final at Weston, it routed Wallsend by 5 to 2. Its winning eleven comprised: R. Austen. E. Hodge, C. Thompson, T. Green, J. Taylor, J. Harden, C. Williams, P. Lennard, P. Johns, N. Price, Jack Wilkinson.

Appearances were: E. Hodge 34, P. Lennard 34, J. Wilkinson 34, P. Johns 34, T. Green 32, C. Thompson 32, N. Price 31, R. Austen 30, J. Taylor 29, C. Williams 28, J. Harden 25, W. Weir 7, H. Otto 6, W. Gregory 4, H. Ashcroft 3, P. Horns 2, E. Williams 2, J. Donnelly 2, G. Brown 1, W. Blane 1, N. Carroll 1, H. Biggers 1, Roy Johns 1. Goalscorers were N. Price 39, P. Johns 36, P. Lennard 18, J. Wilkinson 15.

The recession in the coal trade affected Coalfields' sport. Many players sought employment in other areas.

1 v Sydney Newcastle August 1908 T. Spencer (Pyrmont) T. Denniss (Pyrmont) W.Maxwell J. Smith (Pyrmont) C.Lilley C. Harrison (Glebe) S. Hopton R.Moore(Glebe) J. Watt S.Condon(Pyrmont) W. Warburton J. Davidson (Pyrmont) J. Jones J. Sherringham (Glebe) T. Bartley D. Richards (Sydney) W.Jennings(1) W. Carroll (Pyrmont)1) A. Jennings G.Swift(Glebe)1) G. Campbell

Referee W. Cadwallade

"Working Mens Game" Football had long since been called the "working mens game" and had many of its players and officials employed in the mining industry.

In fact, it was often called by the Sydney Press "THE MINERS GAME".

Improved working conditions in the coal industry always had a bearing on the control of the football game.

The abolition of the night shift(Dog Watch 11 pm to 7 am) and the abolition of work on pay saturday's and restricted hours in back saturday allowed the game to become a

weekly competition. Hitherfore, it had been confined to pay weekend's.

From the Northern viewpoint the most important happening of the off-season was the overcoming of the difference between the State Association and the Adamstown Rosebud Club re Gardiner Cup entries.

With interest in the senior ranks at a low ebb only Adamstown Rosebud entered the Gardiner Cup.

South Coast clubs were enjoying a prosperous period and Woonona, Corrimal and Helensburgh entered for the state title.

Adamstown had early success, after beating Woonona 4x0 it journeyed to Sydney and K O D the strong Ultimo X1 3x1 and so entered the semi finals along with Balmain, Glebe, Pyrmont.

In the semi final Pyrmont eliminated the Adamstown Club 1x0. after having played a 1x1 draw in it's first clash. Local Competition

In the local competition, the senior grade attracted 3 entries from Adamstown Rosebud, Merewether Advance and Cessnock.

In the Ellis Cup, Adamstown beat Cessnock 3xl in the first semi final.

Owing to the lateness of the season, Merewether Advance forfeited the final to Adamstown

Merewether Advance Officials rightly contended that the fixture bungling was due to Adamstown's participation in the Gardiner Challenge Cup. Adamstown were awarded The Ellis Cup on forfeit.

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The second grade had entries from Adamstown Rosebud,
Cessnock, Hamilton, Kurri Kurri, Teralba, and
Merewether Advance.

Adamstown were the winner's Teralba Runner's Up

The Third grade entries included
Minmi Wanderers, Dudley Thistles, Minmi Squashers,
Kurri Kurri Rivals, Hamilton, Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs,
Killingsworth Violets, Merewether Advance, Adamstown,
Abermain, Charlestown,

Minmi Wanderers Winners and Minmi Squashes Runners Up.

In the School Competition Adamstown Winners, West Wallsend Runners Up. 1908

Minmi Squashers
G.Barr, D. Wells, W. Grant, W. Sneddon, J. Bates, J. Etheridge,
P. Pickhard, W. Ball, H. Ball, H. Moyles, E. Thirkell, D. Hodge,
L. Sneddon, R. Clarke, G. Archibold, W. Currie, G. Jackson,
H. Willoughbly, J. Collins

Killingsworth Violets U/18
W.Matthews, E. Dempsey, M. Richmond, G. Russ, W. Hoyland,
R. Campbell, J. McMillan, J. McGeachie, P. Hindmarsh, J. Horn
J. Ansell, C. Hafey, A. Parkes, D. McManus, Bousfield, R. Cherry,
F. Thomas, D. Horn, R. McGeatchie, W. McWilliams, C. Walton
J. Robinson

Adamstown
J.Strick, B.Onslow, W.Nix, W.Lewis, P.Kimber, J.Hincks,
A.White, M.Lee, T.Pease, B.Turnbull, A.Dunne, A.Marshall
B.Darling, N.Porteus.

Broadmeadow Royal Arthur J.Robinson, S.Grubb, W.Gerrard, D.Horner, W.Marquett, J.Hughes L.Myers, F.Jackson, Cummings, J.Daley, C.Robinson, H.Mullane J.Doyle, R.Aitchison, D.Williams, L.Arthur, R.Anderson

West Wallsend
E.Ford, J.Kaiser, G.Phillips, T.Charlton, E.Coates, J.Holland,
R.Cowie, A.Lewis, A.Mason, A.Mason, J.Ernshaw, F.Williams
G.Laverick, J.Walker, W.Lee, T.Walsh, R.Sneddon, H.Stevenson,
W.Campbell, R.Blakely, J.Brennan, A.Hartland, W.Stott,
J.Horne, D.Robertson.

Barlow School Competition

Plattsburg Super Primary
W. Stein, Bob Lidbury, G. Hancock, T. Colquhoun, E. Devon, C. Ward
L. Clements, A. Young, C. Sykes, F. Ball, T. Ballas, C. Thomas,
Thornton, Donkin, Hodge, Outram, Smith, Chapman, Cuthbertson,
Woodward, Wardle, Wells, Cruickshanks, Davies, Brown, Leach,
Morris, Clarke, Peters.

West Wallsend Super Primary
C.Knudson, D.Horn, H.Howell, F.Mason, J.Brierly, T.Regan
J.Leckie, D.Regan, J.Brewster, L.Johnson, J.Curran, R, Convery.
J.McGeachie, W.Turnbull, F.Smith, R.Sutcliffe, J.Durie
E.Brennan, D.Campbell, T.Gildar, E.Wylie, H.James, R.Kelly,
H.Means.

Adamstown Primary G.Pollock, G.Sneddon, G.Brown, J.Logan, R.Gardener, W.Jones, S.Bush, J.Robinson, H.Smith, F.Hayes, O.Lewis, J.Hampton.

Charlestown

A. Shaw, J. Hunter, H. Boon, W. Boyd, J. Caddes, W. Drinkwater,

G.Askey, W.McDougall, J.McDougall, W.Parsons, W.Gilchrist

C.Burchell, S.Jewell, O.Wanless, S.Lynch, W. Price, G. Cain,

G.Jackson, J.Bassett, P.Parsons, A.Hincks, J.Ash, W.Hooey,

G.Campbell

J. Cain (Secretary)

Wallsend U/18

C.Roy, R. Jeffries, J. Coleman, R. Hepplewhite, W. Broadfoot,

H. Cork, J. Wells, W. Pettigrew, G. Smith, Stoddart, J. Anderson,

H. Buchanan, C. Morris, W. W. Punton, C. Williams,

H.Cork(Secretary)

Dudley Thistles U/18

T.Lysaght, W.Dickson, J.Russell, W.Willmott.A.Dick,

T. Askey, W. Williams, A. Haddon, R. Davis, C. Banfield, R. Hunter.

A.Parsons, F. Rundle, N. Broadbent, D. Sault, R. Mowbray,

R. Errington, A. Sketchley.

Hamilton U/18

B.Green, P. Pritchard, A. Bunn, J. Fullicks, H. Fullicks,

J. Hughes, E. Duncan, D. Sterritt.

W. Harrisom E. Allecander, Cook, J. Bates, J. Skulthorpe

S. Worrall, R. Emery, R. Craog R. Clay

Adamstown U/18

J. Dunne, J. Logan, W. Powell, A. Jennings, R. Stewart, R. Winwood

P.Warburton, R.Love, N.Lee, A.Edden, H.Ryan, E.Dixon

F. Turnbull, T. Beddow, J. Hawkins.

Kurri Kurri Rivals

W.Brown, W. Johns, W. Chappell, W. Richardson, E. Cox, W. Scott W. Bower, A. Orchard, J. Hadley, R. Kessells, E. Kelly, H. Jones Jim Brown, C. Grimson, H. Bartlett, C. Anderson, C. Anderson

T. Crowley, A. Peters, T. Morrison, C. Halliday, J. Mansfield, Joe Jones, W. Germain, J. Gould, W. McMillan, J. Outram,

W. Morgan, Chalmers, Pease,

Teralba U/18

R.Stubbs, D.Rodgers, E.Hodge, G.Ashton, T.Wynn, E.Wilkinson

A. Perry, A. Hancock, T. Treay, R. Kyle, J. Cherry, J. Broad,

J. Harper, J. Anderson, W. Cherry, A. Wilson,

Merewether Advance U/18

B. Smith, Wright, W. Terrace, E. Patterson, W. Summers,

D. Williams, A. Danvers, J. Stewart, D. McLaren, G. Mordie,

W.Mitchell, J.Fairhall, B.Campbell, J.Dever, J.Penman,

P.Blackmore, H.Churchill, R.Brown, T.Hope, B.Craig

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Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs.

H. Gerrard, W. Rennix, J. Viggers, R. Elliott, J. Waugh, J. Howe

S. Sharpe, W. Marchant, R. Beeton, L. Worrall, P. Aitchison,

A. Sharpe, Jennings M. Loveday, D. Harrison, J. Reay,

G. Santry, T. Williams, G. Thomas D. Williams

J. Reay (Secretary.

Killingsworth Violets

Gary Turnbull, John Ford, T. Richmond, T. Campbell, P. McManus,

W. Cooke, J. Horn, J. Spinks, F. Cook, B. Spinks, J. Neal, J. Kennedy,

W. Rae, H. Vaisey, H. Dempsey, George Heaney, A. Horne,

J. Hindmarsh, F. Hindmarsh, S. Hafey, A. Oswald, E. Ross,

C. Faith (Secretary)

Merewether Advance

B. Smith, Wright, W. Terrace, E. Patterson, W. Summers, D. Williams

A. Danvers, J. Stewart, D. McLaren, G. Moodie, W. Mitchell,

J. Fairhall, R. Campbell, J. Dever, J. Penman, P. Blackmore,

G. Bannon, B. McLeary, A. Cousins, J. Jennings, M. Loveday

D. Harrison, J. Gill, P. Fairhall

R. Johnson Railway St)

Teralba Rangers

J. Coates, J. Peel, J. McAlpine, James Stubbs, T. O'Brien, T. Brown,

W. McLaughlin, A. Barnes, F. Wilkinson, W. Jepson, T. Wilkinson, Jack Stubbs, J.O'Brien, E. Jepson, D. Cherry, P. McLaughlin.

J. Peel (Secretary)

West Wallsend

W. McLure, J. Muir, T. Coates, H. Ball, R. Henderson, F. Ford,

T. Newell, J. Harrison, R. Harrison, J. Carson, H. Gee, C. Thomson,

C.Lewis, R.Skillings, J.Whitelaw, J.Brennan, A.Hartland

J. Horne, W. Stott, R. Mowbray, H. Parkes, W. Carson

Adamstown

H. Price, J. Wallworth, L. Warburton, S. Harris, J. Getchers,

F. Elgey, G. Farmer, W. Dixon, P. Eggingong, T. Wailes,

J. Erskine, R. Erskine, J. Rayan, T. Ryan, M. Turnbull, G. Elliott, M. Blythe, A. Hopton, G. Graham, J. Woods, R. Watt, E. Ross,

T. Maxwell, R. Nelson, D. Gilpin, Eadward Eaton,

E.Dane,Oscar Mullally,Dave Russell,Bill Burt, James Lobley, Bill Parkinson, John Grills, Perce Grills, Tommy Corrigan, James Devon, John Outram, T. McDonald, John Corrigan, Hugh Devon, James McIntyre, George Ridley Bill Druery, Joe Hedley, John Johnson, Ben Yates, W. Thomas James Kemp, Charlie Wilson, Jonathon Robinson, Bill Wailes Charles Kenrick, Bob Prescott, Bob Russell James McIntyre(Secretary)

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Munmi Wanderers
George Rennix, Alec Renfrew, Harry Emery, David Cox,
John Barr, Bill Brown, Alec Shepherd, Adam Duncan,
Bill Lang, Bobby Jack, Joe Belbie, James Dick, James Wells,
John Hindmarsh, James Brown, N. McLeish, John Russell.

Dudley Thistles
W.Cooper, S.Cooper, A.Brown, D.Jones, W.Kenny, W.Jones
R.Druery, R.Anderson, J.Hodge, G.Russell, W.Sault, F.Elgey,
J.Henderson, James Gibb, J.Jackson, J.Parsons,
Jno Gibb (Secretary)

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P.Roddenby, P.Dobinson, W.Moore, W.Gibson, W.Peters,
J.Parkes, T.Morgan, A.Morris, E.See, S.Robinson, W.Jones,
W.Morris, J.Wardle, E.Jones, A.Howells, A.Collins, B.Cork,
G.Maddison, Silcock, Owen Cockrane, Erskine, H.Hancock,
A.Anderson. A.Richardson, H.Parkinson,
W.Gibson Whitton St Wallsend Secretary)

Minmi Squashers
R.Cain, S.Newton, T.Etheridge, W.Newton, A.Sneddon,
T.Price, B.Garraty, T.Wilson, H.Auld, G.Newton, L.Pugh,
J.Ledbury, B.Ball, W.Hamilton, J.Perry, F.Murnane, J.Brown,
T.Wilson (Secretary)

Kurri Kurri Rivals
J.Brown, E.Henderson, D.Jarrett, T.Kirkwood, E.Kessells
W.Jates, T.Muit, W.Framw, W.Sutherland, T.Orchard,
D.Thomas, J.Morrison, Sid Waugh, J.Matich, W.Morgan
A.Aitchison, B.Lovell, J.Cummings, W.J.Jones, J.Archibold,
T.Armstrong, T.Hadley, C.Turnbull, A.Hodges, A.Cummings,
B.Reynolds, W.Johns, J.Oglethorpe, L.Younger, H.Bower, A.Fairhall,
P.Collins, G.Short.

Weston Advance
R.Dixon, D.Gilpin, A.Jennings, J.Robinson, J.Jarvie,
J.Wardrop, D.Kembrey, G.Turnbull, B.Hardesty, W.McDonald
T.Elliott, G.Embleton, W.Jarvie, G.Lynch, H.Kembrey,
J.Williams, J.McCabe, D.Carney, G.Muir.
J.Robinson (Secretary)

Hamilton W.Hunter, T.Nalder, J.Roach, W.Jones, T.Worley, J.Lynn, W.Stott, W.Snelson, H.Beeton, A.Skulthorpe, R.Batey, G.Warburton, P.Peebles, J.Veitch, W.Baker, G.Alexander. The Book Of Football.

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Player Register(Adamstown)
Bob Elgey, G. Campbell, G. R. Campbell, J. George, W. Maxwell,
W. Jennings, J. Watt, W. Harris, D. Hall, S. Bartley, D. Russell,
F. Bartley, J. Pryde, J. Weatherburn, Y. Seidencamp, D. Harris
Secretary(J. D. Hamilton)

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs
J.Doyle, Hall, A.McNaughton, J.Hodges, C.Hodges, R.Ledbury,
C.Purvis, J.Jones, F, Jennings, S.Waite, W.Evans, R.Dowson,
A.Begbie,
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S. Hopton, M. Roach, J. Filby, R. Cameron, Alf Jennings, J. Morris,

Kurri Kurri
W.Neil, J.Stevenson, D.Jones, J.Dyson, W.R.Johnstone, T.Lucas
P.Drinan, E.Taylor, J.Turnbull, J.Drinan, D.Hughes,
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W Nesbitt, M Connell, "Bubs" Reay, A Reay, A McNaughton Washman, G Lynch (Secretary)

Front Row:

1903 Weston Football Club, White Shirt, Red

Minmi "Squashers" 1908

Back Row.Bob Lidbury, B. Woods, C. Brown, Joe Auld, F. price J. Lidbury, Tom Etheridge, J. Cain Centre Row.J. Askie, Sam Newton, V. Newton, B. Cain, J. Turner(Pres) L. Pugh, J. Knott, C. Pryor. Front Row.G. Newton, Frank Murnane, John Brown, Jim Brown Hec Sneddon



ABERMAIN

For its size, the township of Abermain has won honours in many types of sport.

In its infancy, the town had a strong rifle club, cricket club, cycling, as well as soccer.

It is fair comment to say that the soccer club lived in the shadows of the greatness of Weston. During the years. Abermain has produced a big crop of round ball stars — players who after completing success in the junior circles, were lured away to other senior clubs where they rose to great heights.

To mention a few — the dainty but speedy Jack Manion, whose attacking play was described by one journalist as "smooth as quick-silver". Jim "Nigger" Kemp. Em Kemp, Crabbie McCroarey, Aub Teece, Jim Porteus. Ducky Henwood and many others.

An oid record book tells of the birth of soccer in Abermain in April 1908 — a meeting called by a group of miners in a vacant block — later to be gazetted as Abermain Recreation Reserve. The first secretary was Jas. McIntyre, a former Scot junior whose enthusiasm for the game won general admiration in the growing town. He combed the "pit tops" and forwarded the registration list to Newcastle where it was listed as "3rd grade". First colours were white shirt with 2-inch green sash. The full list contained Jas. Kemp Snr.. Evan Davis, Oscar Mullally, Dave Russell, Bill Burt. Jim Lobley, Bill Parkinson. John Grills, Percy Grills, Jim Devon, Tom Corrigan, John Outram, Chas. Kendrick, Bob Russell, John Johnson, Ben Yates. Bill Thomas, Bill Wailes, Bob Prescott, Jack Corrigan, Tom McDonald, Charlie Wilson, Jono Robinson, Geo. Ridley, Bill Drury, Joe Hedley, Hugh Devon and Jas. McIntyre. The first match at Abermain was against Pelaw Main, which won by 2 to 0. The visitors were royally entertained at a sit-down meal where the amber ale ran out far too quickly.

Bob Skilling of Kurri was the referee. In its first season, the team recorded — played 10, won 2, lost 6, drew 2: goals for 22, goals against 31.

It is very unfortunate that one cannot secure club records. However the Abermain Club entered an All Aged XI and an Under-18 years XI in the Newcastle competition, but no honours were gained. In 1918 the All Aged, Under-18 and Under-16 (Tom Tits) had successful seasons.

In the All Aged section. Abermain pressed Pelaw Main for season's honours. These old rivals clashed in the final at the Homestead with Pelaw Main winning a grand game by 2 to 1. In the closing minutes. Pelaw Main scored the vital goal. The club colours were blue. The Abermain XI included: F. McGoldrick, J. Kennedy, P. Barker. T. Jeffreys, W. Hall, T. Outram, T. Corrigan, R. Bower, E. Williams, T. Scott, R. Peel; reserves: P. Kemp. S. Bailey. S. Richardson. In the Under-18 years Abermain qualified for the semi-finals but went down to Weston, by 2 to 1. Its team comprised Coutts. Ross, Baty, Robinson. Shaw. Chappell. Wilson. Thomas. Barker. O'Connell. Endeen. The "Tom Tits" won the district title with such players as G. Grant. Horn. McCroarey. R. McNaughton, E. Junor, G. Junor, J. O'Brien. Smith. Kennedy. Striker. Hall. O. O'Brien. Downs. McGoldrick.

In season 1922, there was a revival in interest and Abermain entered the Gardiner Cup for the first time. In the first round it met near neighbours Neath and suffered defeat by 3 to 1 in a very exciting tie, for with five minutes left the scores were 1 all. A brace of last-minute goals by Horne and Pockett sealed the "Mains" fate. In 1923, the promotion of Neath to senior ranks greatly affected interest at Abermain. However, several brilliant juniors in J. Kemp. J. Manion, J. Porteus, D. Henwood, E. Kemp and A. Teece were unearthed.

The club was proud to stage on the Abermain Park the South Maitland XI ν Queensland on 2nd July when the locals won by 2 to 1.

Over 1000 saw this representative match, which was organised by a local official, Mr. L. Penniment. In 1927, a combined Abermain-Neath eleven entered the Stevenson Cup and won its way into the semi-final, where it crashed to Kearsley by 4 to 0. Their team comprised R. Morgan, A. Jackson, A. Baldwin, R. Hughes, J. Porteus, R. O'Brien, E. Jeffries, F. Turner, J. Manion, J. Kemp, J. Drinkwater and F. Horne, the last mentioned being the most consistent scorer with 11 goals.

In 1928 the club fielded a strong Under-18 years combination. Little is known of the club's activities for the period of 1929 to 1943 when during the State League breakaway, it formed a senior club in the South Maitland area. Among the regulars were J. Mathers.

A. Wiseman, C. Kidd, J. Olwer, E. Leighton, G. Stewart, G. Heley, W. Williams. Mathers was the main goalscorer,

Abermain hit the high spot in 1948 when its senior team beat Aberdare in the Stevenson Cup final at Cessnock by 5 to 2. Their winning combination comprised: C. Blair, T. Jurd, W. Langlands, M. Yates, E. Kemp, J. Crossley, R. Wright, G. Tomlinson, R. Howard, G. Lamb, T. Haywood. The season's best scorers were Tomlinson (10), R. Howard (10) and G. Lamb (8).

A more stabilised Abermain entry went into the Northern League in 1949. The team won 7, lost 6, drew 2 of the games played. Players used included J. McLaren. R. Wright, E. Kemp, G. Tomlinson, D. Martin, J. Wallace, M. Yates, F. Callaghan, M. Reay, A. Randell, K. Williams, L. Mather, G. Laverick, C. Teasdale, A. Baulks, L. Burnett, E. Craig, W. McKay, W. Barker, J. Ackroyd, W. Longlands, R. Williams, A. Sneddon, G. Lamb, A. Orchard, J. Patrick, C. Beverley, J. Crawford.

Tomlinson (16), McLaren (12) were top scorers. The first mentioned created new club record by netting five goals v Lake Macquarie.

In State Cup, Abermain were kayoed by Kurri 2 goals to 1.

Abermain's persistence won it a place in the 1949 Northern League semi-finals.

In a hard-fought first half against the minor premiers Cardiff, the "Mains" did well with 1 all at the interval.

In the second half Cardiff scored 4 goals to win by 5 to 2.

The Abermain team which was on duty that day comprised: F. Callaghan, G. Tomlinson, G. Martin, J. Wallace, E. Kemp (Capt.), R. Wright, E. Laverick, J. McLaren, L. Mather, K. Williams, L. Burnett.

Old-timers still hope for a return of senior soccer to Abermain. May their wish and dream come true for as a sport community Abermain deserves the best.

1909 Season
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Vice Presidents.H.J.Denny,E

Vice Presidents.H.J.Denny, Ed Blackburn, M.Charlton (MP)
D.Baker, Peter Bowling, W.Graham (MP)
J.Fegan (MLA) Mr O'Gilbert (MLA)

Committee. Ed Buxton, J. Fitzgibbons, J. Symes, A. J. Porteous.

This season marked a long and bitter coal strike over the abolition of the afternoon shift. All football areas were affected. To curtail unnecessary travelling, four coalfield teams competed in a separate competition for the "Hemmings Cup", donated by a Cessnock business. The Cup was unique in that it was fashioned like a football 10 inches high and perfectly round. The four clubs in this new competition were Cessnock, East Greta, Kurri Kurri and Weston.

1909 Hampton Cup	Cesmock	East Greta	Kurri Kurri	Weston	Points
Cesanock	Х	5-1, 2-1	2-1, 1-1	2-3, 2-0	9
East Greta	1-5, 1-2	X	2-2, 0-1	0-2, 0-1	1
Kurri Kurri	1-2, 1-1	2-2, 1-0	X	1-1, 0-3	5
Weston:	3-2, 0-2	2-0, 1-0	1-1, 3-0	X	9

In the final at Cessnock, Cessnock defeated Weston 1x0. Senior games in Newcastle were restricted to "Friendlies" and gate takings were given to the Miners Strike Fund. The Badge matches in Newcastle were still in the junior circles. The senior clubs participated in the Gardiner Cup.

Gardiner Cup

Adamstown entered the Gardiner Cup and preparations were very thorough, as they were very keen to win. The first round against Helensburgh on the South Coast proved to be a dour, scoreless draw played on a most difficult pitch.

In the replay in Newcastle, Adamstown revealed their true worth, winning 4x2. In the second round, Adamstown defeated Sydney, 3x0. This win allowed them to qualify for the semi-finals. In this vital tie, Adamstown beat Rozelle by 3x1, while Pyrmont knocked out Glebe 3x0.

Pyrmont were then favourites to retain the cup.in the final, a tense struggle ended in a 0x0 draw. In the replay, Adamstown proved far superior winning 3x1 after leading 2x1 at half time. Skinner Maxwell netted two goals for Adamstown

On the local front, the grade winners were.

2nd Grade Minmi Wanderers
3rd Grade West Wallsend
4th Grade Wallsend Royals
Schools Minmi

Ellis Cup

The Ellis Cup proved one of the best series on record. Now open to 1st and 2nd grade teams, it attracted 12 entries with Merewether Advance, Adamstown Rosebud Killingsworth and Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs all qualifying for the semi finals. Both semis ended in draws; Merewether Advance tying with Killingsworth and Adamstown and Broadmeadow doing the same.

The surprise of the series was the young Killingsworth team; it is said that owing to the miners strike, the players practiced five hours daily and it almost paid off for them.

Abig crowd saw the "Kills" beaten in the dying seconds of their replay with Merewether, losing 1x0. Meanwhile, Adamstown accounted for Broadmeadow in their rematch.

In the final, Adamstown defeated Merewether 3x2.

The full Ellis Cup results were:

Round.1 Adamstown Rosebud 6 v Teralba

Killingsworth 5 v Wallsend Mazeppas Wallsend Royals 1 v Minmi Wanderers

Boolaroo 3 v West Wallsend 3

Replay West Wallsend 2 v Boolaroo

Replay West Wallsend 2 v Boolaroo 1
Merewether Adv. 2 v Wallarah 1
Broadmeadow R.A 3 v Minmi Clippers 2

Round.2.Killingsworth 5 v Wallsend Royals 2
Broadmeadow R.A. 2 v West Wallsend 1
Merewether Advance, Adamstown Rosebud (Byes (

Semi Finals

Merewether Adv, 1 v Killingsworth 1
Replay Merewether Adv 1 v Killingsworth 0
Adamstown 2 v Broadmeadow RA, 2
Replay Adamstown 1 v Broadmeadow R.A. 0
Final Adamstown 3 v Merewether Adv. 2

West Australia Tour NSW.

However, the 1909 season gained historical importance because of the visit by a West Australian team, who played two games in Newcastle. In the first game, Newcastle beat the visitors 4x0 before a crowd of 1158 people at the Newcastle showground on the 8th July.

Newcastle 4 v West Australia 0

Bob Elgey G.Campbell J.Jones W.Harris

W.Maxwell D.Russell J.George(1)

W.Jennings A.Jennings(1) E.Price(1) Bob Lidbury(1)

Referee Harry Spiers.

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On the following Tuesday, a crowd of 1000 saw the West
   Australians beat a Northern Coalfields X1 by 2x0,
   at the Albion ground(ShowgroundMaitland).
   This was the first ever combined Coalfields team and the
   players were
   Northern Coalfields
                             O v West Australia
   Bondi Neal(Kurri Kurri)
   G. Cartwright (East Greta)
   R.Cartwright(East Greta)
   G.Coulson(East Greta)
                                           12/5/1909
  T. Jowett (East Greta)
  R. Harden (Cessnock)
  F.Corrigan(Cessnock)
  T. Wardrop(Cessnock)
  A, McNaughton (Weston)
  W.Ashton(weston)
  W, Howe (Cessnock)
  Openly declaring that their stay in Newcastle area was
  the best of their whole tour, the visitors travelled by
  the S.S. Victoria and were officially received by the
  Mayor. During their stay, they took an excursion on the
  river to Morpeth, inspected the Glebe Colliery, viewed
  the new cranes in the harbour and was taken to a
  vaudeville show in Kings Hall
 The West Australian touring team was
 A.W. Bennett, C. Bodenham, J. Booth, J. McLaughlin, J. O'Neil,
 W. Roskama, M. Taylor, J. Woods, V. Allen, E.S. Robertson,
 R.M. Evans, G. Burt, J. McCreery, H. Scott, C. Bogle,
 Manager. W. C. Thomas.
 On the 15th May the West Australians took on a nsw side,
 playing a 2x2 draw, The NSW Players were
 New South Wales 2
R"Brolgey"Elgey(Adamstown)
R.G.Campbell(Adamstown)
                             2 v West Australia
 B. Ferguson (Balmain)
 C. Condon (Pyrmont)
 W.Maxwell(Adamstown)
 J. Rhodes (Balgownie)
 Cob Jones (Corrimal)
 W. Carey(2)Pyrmont)
A. Jones (Corrimal)
W. Carroll (Pyrmont
W.Stewart(Helensburg
                  Referee W.Goldsmith(Navy)
New South Wales
                           3 v West Australia
                 22nd May
S. Hilder (Glebe)
R.G.Campbell(Adamstown)
B. Ferguson (Balmain)
A. Phelps(Ultimo)
E. Price (Adamstown)
J. Rhodes (Balgownie)
Cob Jones(Corrimal)
W. Carey(Pyrmont)
A. Jones (Corrimal)
W. Carroll (Pyrmont)
J. George (Adamstown)
                       Referee W.Goldsmith(Navy)
On June 9th West Australia 3vVictoria O(Melbourne)
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Registered Referee's
1909 Referee's J.D.Hamilton(Adamstown)H.Spiers(Dudley)
J.Filby(Adamstown)C.Faith(Killingsworth)P.J.Mannix(Wallsend)
R.Ledbury(Wallsend)T.Hepplewhite(Wallsend)
Bede Pratten(Wallsend)R.Patterson(Wallsend)
M.Pettigrew(Wallsend)R.Skillings(Kurri Kurri)
S.Harris(Adamstown)

Player Register

Teralba Rangers
Jack Stubbs, Joe Peel, Pat McLaughlin, Welham, Dunk, Cherry,
Bill Jepson, Ern Jepson, Tom O'Brien, George Johnson,
Arthur Barnes, Joe Stubbs, Walter James, Bill Derricott
Jack O'Brien, Frank Wilkinson,
J. Peel (Secretary)

Adamstown Rosebud
Bob Elgey, George Campbell, Gerrard Campbell, S. Bartley, D. Russell
W. Harris, W. Maxwell, J. George, E. Price, S. Hopton, C, Lilley,
W. Jennings, H. Hammond,

Merewether Advance
J.Mitchell, J. Jones, Hall, S. McLean, D. Danvers, M. Craig,
J. Fitzgibbons, A. Lovell, D. Firth, R. Johnson, G. Johnson, J. Smith
K. Smith, C. Purvis, A. Adamsthwaite, G. Feighan, A. Jennings,
P. Fairhall, J. Gray, J. Loveday, W. Mitchell, B. Wright, W. Jennings
P. Blackmore, B. McLeary, J. Lovell, W. Ferris, J. Penman, B. Smith
E. Firth, A. McLeary, J. Lovell, T. Bell, J. Powell, H. Gray,
Brown, Gill, Fullicks, Pritchard, Green, Ashman, Churchill, Cornell,
C. Stewart, J. Bartley, W. Shipley, J. Richardson, J. Conway,
**Please note the players listed for Merewether is from

Minmi Pirates(3rd Grade)
G.Robinson, G.Wells, G.Rigby, G.Moncrief, G.Banfield, J.Mowatt,
J.Lewis, J.Dixon, J.White, J.Corns, W.Beale, G.Willoughby,
W.Evans, D.Jackson, A.Griffiths, H.Knott, D.McBlane, L.Prosser,
R.Simmonds, G.Griffiths, G.Newton,
G.Willoughby (Secretary)

Minmi Clippers(3rd Grade)
G.R.Archibold, H.Moyle, H.Willoughby, C.Perry, J.Prior,
S.Newton, A. Evans, G. Merrion, E. Wilson, A. Shepherd, J. Bates,
T. Etheridge, J. Dick, J. Lindsay, W. Newton, D. Williams, M. James
G. Barr
T. Etheridge (Secretary)

Killingsworth Rangers(3rd Grade)
W.McWilliams, W. Horn, J. Horn, W. Matthews, J. McMillan, B. Hughes,
C. Walton, W. Hindmarsh, J. McGeatchie, R. Roberts, N. Richmond,
E. Convery, W. Hoyland, T. Ansell, F. Thomas, D. McManus, G. Pritchard,
L. Murray, O. Cherry, A. Osborne, J. Ansell, R. Cherry, R. Convery,
H. Fullicks, W. Attwood,
W. Matthews(Secretary)

West Wallsend(#rd Grade)
T.Morgan, J.Harrison, M.Dial, W.McLure, C.Thompson, W.Brown,
T.Gough, H.Burkett, T.Newell, W.Lewis, T.Craig, H.Ball,
J.Dellaway
T.Charlton(Carrington St Westy Secretary)

Dudley Thistles(3rd Grade)
Ned Broadbent, Arthur Parsons, Bill Crooks, A. Sketchley.
Arch .Dick, Bill Dixon, H. Presland, Jack Boyd, Tim Lysaghts,
Billy Williams, Jack Jones, Bill Fawkes, Aaron Haddow,
J. Jackson, J. Fowler, R. Crother, C, Banfield.

Wallsend Royals(3rd Grade)
J. Anderson, A. Lidbury, C. Roy, J. Coleman, W. Pettigrew,
W. Jones, B. Parkes, B. Lindsay, R. Anderson, R. Stewart, C. Williams,
Alf Lindsay, Hugh Buchanan, G. Barr, A. Chapman, C. Kemp,
T. J. Dobinson, J. Ledbury.

Wallsend Royals(4th Grade)
C.Kemp, A. Dobinson, H. Smith, W. Smith, J. Milton, B. Richardson,
W. Morgan, S. Davies, W. Roberts, J. Murray, R. Jeffries,
R. Hepplewhite, F. Chiarelli, B. Lidbury, W. O'Brien
F. Rizzoli(Secretary)

Minmi Wanders(4th Grade)
C.Etheridge, George Barr, Jon Barr, R.Brown, W.Gill,
D.Loosemore, Jas McBlane, Alec Wells, Bob Wells, N.James,
Joe Thompson, Bill Thompson, J. Pritchard, J. Perry, W. Oakes,
E.Burke, W. Sneddon, P. McLaughlin,
J. Bilbie(Secretary)

Teralba Rangers(3rd Grade)
A.Perry, T.Treay, G.Ashton, J.Harper, R.Kyle, A.Hancock,
E.Elkington, A.Cherry, J.Cherry, A.Wilson, W.Wilson, R.Porter.

Wallsend Mazeppas(3rd Grade)
H.Patrick, W.Patrick, J.Scott, R.Scott, W.Robertson, J.Robertson, J.Robson, C.Parsons, H.Wanless, D.Baird, D.Steel, H.Hancock, R.Parkinson, W.Patterson,

Broadmeadow Royal Arthurs(3rd Grade)
B. Anderson, F. Jackson, P. Pritchard, B. Hunter, A. Laverick,
W. Rennix, H. Gerrard, W. Marchant, S. Grubb, L. Myers, P. Jackson
J. Hughes, W. Anderson, R. Aitchison, S. Boyd, J. Duncan, J. Fullick,
W. Drinkwater, G. Lantry, J. Howell, G. Askew, T. Hedley,
Jim Doyle, S. Lynch, H. Belton, T. McNaughton.

Dudley Thistles
D. Jones, R. Anderson, W. Sault, J. Gibb, G. Gibb, J. Russell,
H. Vaisey, J. Lysaghts, H. Taylor, G. Cooper, W. Powell, W. Cooper,
J. Broadbent, A. Brown, W. Richmond,
G. Broadbent (Secretary)

Adamstown (3rd Grade)
J. Dunne, R. Stewart, A. Edden, N. Lee, T. Beddow, R. Winwood,
R. Love, J. Logan, G. Farmer, Warburton, J. Hamilton, Dixon,
F. Pease, W. Berriss, J. Geatches, A. Jennings.

Teralba Rangers(4th Grade)
Bob Harper, Bob Wilcox, Ric Wilcox, Bob Stewart, Chas Ryan, Chas Dudley, Frank Dudley, George Peel, C. Green, John Hilton, John O'Brien, Bill Pritchard, Bill Kyle, A. Wilson, Bill Cherry.

Boolaroo (4th Grade)

J.P.Conn, A.Mitchell, W.Neemes, J.Harris, H.Moarse, A.Gardner,

H.Richards, H.Mitchell, A.Mason, A. Harrower, G. Abrahams,

W. Collins, T. Field, H. Gilbert, G. Stewart, C. Hawkins, J. McLaughlan,

A. Robertson, Mason, Tuck, Slater, Convery,

H.Gilbert(Secretary)

West Wallsend(4th Grade)

T.Charlton, F.Williams, A.Lewis, W.Phillips, R.Cowie, W.Lee, E.Coates, A.Mason, W.Grills, J.Earnshaw, G.Laverick, C.Knudson A.McIntyre, T.Walsh, Harold Means, W.Meredith, Tom Sinclair, G.Lee, J.Moroney, J.Holland, T.White, R.Blakely, T.Moroney, J.Brown, Jim Nelson, P.Nelson, John Nelson, A. Davies, J.Walker, E.Newton, J.Horne, R.Sneddon, J.Brennan, J.Webster, F.Bentley W.West, G.Croft, F.Hillary, E.Richardson, J.McNeil, S.Ernshaw, J.Blakey, G.Newell, T.Birrell, J.Kaiser,

Minmi Wanderers(2nd Grade)
W.Lang, J. Bilbie, G. Jack, J. Russell, A. Renfrew, L. Pugh, R. Jack
F. Price, F. Murnane, T. Doyle, N. McLeish, G. Rennix, W. Brown.
J. Renfrew.

Killingsworth Violets
P.McManus, W.Cook, J.Neal, J.Kennedy (Secretary) T.Campbell,
J.Spinks, R.Lee, T.Frew, T.Oswald, T.Richmond, B.Spinks,
W.Rae, Frank Convery, J.Lord, E.Ross, J.Cherry, J.Geatches,
M.Lamb, C.Lewis, J.Coates

Catherine Hill Bay
W.Peacock, T.Gray, J.Bacchs, J.Bassett, A.Horne, P.Viping,
A.Hodges, H.Hodges, L.Conn, E.Drummond, G.Hodges, J.Wilson
J.Spinks, H.Buxton, W.Roach, P.Parsons, W.Thornton, L.Taffe,
A.Hinchs, E.Taffe, D.Absalom, G.Johnson, J.Oliver, T.Bayter,
J.Archibold, J.Hanley, G.Campbell, R.Cain,
J.Bassett Jun Secretary)

Adamstown(2nd Grade)
J.Wallworth, G.Warburton, T.Wailes, G.Elliott, F.Elgey,
J.Bullerwell, J.Nix, T.Harrison, J.Harrison, R.Talbot,
E.Talbot, J.Jackson, H.Price, A.Cunningham, M.Roach, W.Cooper.

Cessnock(incomplete)
R. Harden, J. Harden, J. Freebairn, C. Callaghan, T. Russell
J. Ballard, R. Leckie, T. Spowart, T. Jeffries, A. Faulds,
A. Blane, T. Wardrop, J. Wardrop, J. Marshall, J. Williams.

damstown Rosebud, Gardiner & Ellis Cup Winners





Adamstown 1909 (Undefeated Premiers) Gardiner Cup Winners.
Back Row: J. Campbell (V. Pres.) W. Angus (V. Pres) W. Talbot (Patron) J. Harrison, R.B. Talbot (Pres.) S.J. Bartlett, W.Waugh (V. Pres) W. Morgan (V. Pres.)
Middle Row: J. Jennings (Mgr) E. Davis (Treas) J.Doyle (V. Capt) J.Wallworth. R.R. Elgy (Cpt) A.J. Jennings, J.D. Hamilton (Sec) W.P. Jennings, D. Russell, J.George, W. Hamilton (Mascot) E. Price, S.B. Hopton.



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nonium broke out, the referee

This did little to arrest the alarming slide of the Northern game, reaching a new low in 1908 when Rosebud claimed the local premiership by beating the only other entrant, a second side from Adamstown. Rosebud also claimed the Ellis Cup with a 3-2 win over Merewether in the final.

The salvation of the local game came with Adamstown's officially sanctioned return to the Gardiner Cup in 1909. Led by the renowned Bob 'Brolgy' Elgy, the Rosebuds claimed the State championship for the first time beating arch-rival Pyrmont 3-1 in extra time of a replayed final.

The victory was a watershed in the history of both Adamstown and the Northern game. It was "Rosebud's finest hour", as reports credit the win, and in the North it sparked unprecedented interest in the round ball game.

For the 1910 season, record entries were received. Five teams contested seniors, five registered in second grade, 13 in third grade, 16 in fourth grade, 10 in a lodge competition and another nine played in Saturday morning schools competition.

Fittingly, Adamstown finished on top by beating Wallsend 2-0 in the final.

But still the game found barriers to further expansion. War of an administrative nature in the North threw soccer into disarray for some seasons at one stage Adamstown fielded only two teams, in fourth grade and under-18's while war of an international nature interrupted almost everything for four years from 1914.

in the well-documented split between the Northern District British Football Association and the newly-formed State League.

The State League was formed in 1928 as a result of a push from the clubs in the South Maitland coalfields, whose discontent over the conditions of the Gardiner Cup competition was first raised in 1926. It concerned the division of gate receipts among participating clubs, and the stiplation that a match of the day be play each week at Hobart Park, New Lambton.

Since the Coalfields clubs were so strong, it meant they played in these designated matches more often than others. And, they argued, they were not given any worthwhile revenue for their ap-

pearances.

The open revolt against the NSW body succeeded, but it caught plenty of clubs in the crossfire. Adamstown was among

Adamstown took the conservative stand and remained loyal to the NSW Association, a move that cost the club in terms of both players and prestige.

Among those who departed for the new State League were 'Massa' Russell (who joined Gladesville-Ryde), while Rosebud's consolation for keeping the faith was participation in series where gate receip were very poor and administration almos. non-existent.

damarown Rosebud. Gardiner & Ellis Cup Winners



Back Row.J.Campbell(V.P)W.Angus(VP)W.Talbot(Patron)
J.Harrison,R.B.Talbot(Pres)S.J.Bartley,
W.Naugh(V.P)W.Morgan(V.P)

Middle Row.J.Jennings(Mgr)W.Davis(Treas)J.Doyle(V.Cpt)
J.Wallworth,R.R.Elgey(Cpt)A.J.Jennings,
J.D.Hamilton(Sec)

Front Row.W.P.Jennings.D.Russell,J.George,
Master F.Hamilton,E.Price,S.E.Hopton,
Absent.W.Maxwell.G.Campbell,N.Lee

1909 Cessnock Bluebells



Back Row.J.Badderly(V.P)R.Harden(Cpt(J.Ballard,C.Callaghan, J.Russell(Unknown)

Middle Row.M.Kennedy(V.P)J.Freebairn,R.Leckie,J.Harden, J.Spowart(Unknown)

Front Row.A.Faulds,A.Blair,J.Wardrope.

1910 Season President.J.S.Wilson

Committee.Ed Buxton, J. Filby, J. Reay, J. Symes, J. Logan A. J. Porteous.

The long drawn out coal strike had ended before the season opened. The abolition of the afternoon shift allowed the football administration to plan weekly matches in all grades, instead of fortnightly as had been the case in the past. Increased activity in the senior ranks saw five entries.

Adamstown, Cessnock, Minmi Clippers, Wallsend Royals and Weston.

Adamstown Rosebud won the premiership.

1910 Ellis Cup	Adamstown	Cessnock	Minmi Clippers	Wallsend Royals	Weston	Points
Adamstown	х	2-0, 3-1	2-1, 1-1	. 1-0, 1-1	1-0, 0-1	12
Cesmock	0-2, 1-3	X	0-2, 3-3	2-2, 2-3	2-0, 0-3	4
Minmi Clippers	1-2, 1-1	2-0, 3-3	x	4-1, 0-1	3-1, 0-1	8
Wallsend Royals	0-1, 1-1	3-2, 2-2	1-0, 1-4	x	1-1, 1-0	9
Weston	1-0, 0-1	0-2, 3-0	1-3, 1-0	1-1, 0-1	x	7

Ellis Cup

In the Ellis Cup semi finals, Adamstown beat Weston 3x2 while Wallsend Royal's took care of Minmi 2x1. In the final, 2080 adults and many children crammed into the ground to witness Adamstown defeat Wallsend 2x0. The teams are

Adamstown 2 v Wallsend Royals Bob"Brolgey"Elgey Coleman J. George Pratten Wallworth Davis Harris(2) Morgan Watt T. Lidbury Warburton A. Lidbury Bone R. Lidbury Lee Williams Maxwell. Downes Russell Parkes

Season Highlight

The crowd pleaser of the whole season, however, was the 3rd grade final between the two Wallsend teams—Wallsend Mazeppas and Wallsend Royals. These two teams had to meet four times before fiaality was reached. The scores were 0x0,0x0,0x0 and finally 2x0 to the Royals. Hundreds flocked to see the two locals in action but they had to wait for 352 minutes before the first goal came in the 82nd minute of the fourth match. The second and final goal came five minutes later. Referee G.Mason.

C. Harrison

F. WALITY

Hopton

Player Register

Minmi Gardeners
John "Pinkie" Tilden, Mulholland, Woods, Shears, Barram,
Grimmond, Moyle, Simpson, Banfield, Auld, Pryor, Brown, Scott

Wallsend Royals
Shaw, Stein, Donkin, O"Donnell, Ward, Lewis, Lonergan, Treay,
Sheldon, Oliver, Jeffreys, Parkes, Humphreys, Peel, Kemp,
Rizzoli, Smith, Davies, O"Brien, Ledbury, Milton, Roy, Buchanan,
Barr, Richardson, Chiarelli, Coleman, Pratten, Morgan,
T. Lidbury, R. Lidbury, A. Lidbury, Williams, Downs, C. Harrison.

Ballarat Rovers(Wallsend)
Gerrard, Donkin, Morris, Parkinson, Jones, Robertson, Webster,
Craig. Thompson, Taylor, Frew, Richardson, Henderson,
Sanderson.

Merewether Advance Hope, Jones, Churchill, Hudson, Oliver, James, Jones, Wallace, Prince, Stewart, Cooper,, Bartley, Summers, Curtain

Wallsend Nationals Wells, Love, Phillipson, Helphner, Andrews, Finley, King, Harrison, Pepperall, Wilson, Hogg, Slott, McCroarey, Richardson.

Charlestown Waratahs
Unwin, Drinkwater, Wright, Purvis, Lynch, Askew, Pearson,
Diggins, Burchall, Boyd, Farley Elgey, Wallworth, Watson
Johnston, Coppock, Sneddon, Jennings, Wardrop, F. Alberts,
Thorne, Gray,

Cessnock
Harold, Rennex, Thompson, Anderson, Laird, Stokes, F. Renshaw, Ross, Clarke, Marshall, A. Renfrew.

Windy Creek(Wine-Dee)
J. Wardle, Williams, Ledbury, Harrison, Morgan, Jones, Stoddard,
Richardson, Gibson, Pettigrew, Parkinson, Thompson, Roddenburry

Wallsend Mazeppas Wanless, Steel, Shaw, Gallagher, Harris, Gray, Robertson, Drysburg, Lindsay, Parkinson, Corless, Johno Haydon, W. Fahey, Platt

Minmi Wanderers.
Ross, Harvey, Moyle, Dick, Daniels, Smith, Newton, Hodge, Crouch,
Jenkins, Terrance., Mulholland

Our Boys(Plattsburg Co operative)
Hepplewhite, Donkin, Mahoney, Hancock, Morgan, Ford, Wilkins
Clough, Davies, Kemp, Outram

Dudley Kimber, Gardiner, Haddon, Croker, Merritt, Fawkes, Lysaghts, Lysaghts, Williams, Williams, Presland, Bull, Banfield. Gardiner Cup

Only two northern teams entered the Gardiner Cup this year, Adamstown Rosebud and Wallsend Rovers, Adamstown defeated Sydney 2x0 in round 1 and Wallsend defeated St George 1x0 Wallsend and Adamstown both received Byes in Round 2. But in Round 3 Adamstown were outgunned by the British Cruiser H.M.S.Powerful 3x2. While Wallsend suffered a 3x0 defeat at the hands of Ultimo., But Ultimo were disqualfied by the Association for playing unregistered players. But Wallsend surrendered to the H.M.S.Powerful 10x0..

The season in Newcastle ended on a sour note, as friction between the "City and West Clubs sections" of the administration showed a disturbing lack of unity.

NEATH

It is difficult to trace the birth of soccer in the small mining town of Neath.

A former mining official at the Neath Colliery, the late G. W. Batey, expressed the opinion that junior soccer was first played in Neath just prior to World War I, in 1910.

However, there was always a demand for a senior team as so many outstanding juniors were produced.

Firstly, Mr. F. Pockett Senr. was the club's leading official, holding both the job of secretary and president in the club's infant days.

In 1913, Neath entered the 2nd Grade Newcastle Series with satisfying results. Players used in this season included Hinchcliffe, Hutton, Strang, Pockett, Yates, Purcell. Cusish, Colgate, Medcalf, Chapman. Patrick. Jack, Bamback. Neath had little success from 1914 to 1917 but in 1918 it operated three teams — senior, junior, under-16. In its senior team were Horne, Maloney, Drinkwater, Hutchinson, Oughton, Ryan. Harrison, Roddon, Turner, Evans, Willmott, Cusish.

Main goalscorers were Roddon 6, Turner 4, Evans 4, Willmott 4, Oughton 4.

Early in 1922, a concerted move among all the citizens to lift the club to full senior status began. Neath entered the Gardiner Cup and in its first tie defeated its near rivals Abermain by 3 to 1. It took Kurri all its effort to out Neath in the second round by 3 to 1 at Kurri. However, Neath had satisfactory results in the Coalfields Senior Grade.

In the early weeks of 1923, there were scenes of jubilation in Neath when admission was gained in the Newcastle top grade. Kurri, Weston, Cessnock. West Wallsend, Wallsend and Adamstown supported Neath's appeal, so well presented by George Genders.

The first match against Hamilton resulted in a 2 to 0 win due to goals by Endean and Shippen. The season ended on a high note as Neath beat Cessnock by 1 to 0. In a 9-team league, Neath did well to finish in seventh place. The registered list contained: M. Sternbeck, G. Jones. Hughes, Stoker, Baldwin, Barker, Roddon, Drinkwater, Hunter, Endean, Pockett, Campbell, Shippen, Hancock, Hinchcliffe, Goalscorers were L. Endean 10. G. Hancock 8, J. Drinkwater 6, G. Stoker 4, G. Shippen 4, F. Pockett 3. In the Gardiner Cup, Neath beat Newcastle (4 to 0). Two Blues (2 to 1), but in the third round went down to Sydney (1 to 0). It is fair to state here that Sydney were the beaten finalists after three matches against West Wallsend (Cup winners). In 1924. Neath finished eighth in a ten-team league.

In the Gardiner Cup, it went out by 1 to 0 to the all-powerful Adamstown, but many claimed that a disallowed goal by Auld was

unfair to the Meddling Miners.

Their players included Sternbeck, G. Rennex, Baldwin, T. Shake-speare, Hughes, Stokes, Maloney, Auld, Strang, Pockett, Hinchcliffe, Hancock, R. Shakespeare, Jenkins, Roddon. The former Minmi ace "Jock" Auld top scored with 8, Drinkwater 5, Hinchcliffe 5, Strang 4, Baldwin 4.

However, Neath qualified for the Stevenson Cup final, but it went down to Kearsley by 3 to 1 — a typical Coalfields' derby in which both sides won the plaudits of the crowd. A more progressive policy of encouraging prominent youthful players was used for the

1925 season.

Among the newcomers were Alf Henwood, R. Harden. R. Jeffreys, J. Kennedy, J. Bates, R. Bates, J. Hartley, R. Cockburn, J. Purcell, Powell, Wyles. along with the more experienced players. In its eight home games, Neath won six, drew one, lost one — a very creditable effort. In the goalscoring aspect, R. Harden (12), J. Purcell (6), J. Drinkwater (5), J. Hartley (4), R. Bales (4), R. Hughes (4), all did well.

The season 1926 had hardly begun before black clouds of despair hovered around the Neath headquarters. At its annual meeting in February, the N.D.B.F.A. granted senior status to Aberdare — the fifth club on the Coalfields.

The whole fabric of Neath's administration was scarred and official, George Gender, asked the simple question, "How can we carry on as our main financial support comes from the Aberdare area?" Gender was right, for Neath only played three matches when

the club folded up and resigned.

Its players were soon snapped up — Henwood, Purcell, Drinkwater went to Weston and Parker, Baldwin, Shakespeare, Hartley to Aberdare. So Neath with its limited population and financial support returned to the junior ranks — a bitter pill for such a stalwart band of soccer lovers.

1911 President.George Brown Secretary.Jack Harrison.

SPLIT IN CONTROL
As predicted, there was a split in 'Senior Control", with the result that the NDBFA senior competition was split into two competitions."EAST AND WEST"

They were

(A) Centred in the Adamstown Area.

(B) Centred in the Wallsend and Plattsburg area.

Entries in the Adamstown area were Adamstown Rosebud, Merewether Advance and these were joined by Cessnock.

7911 Newcastle Senior Group	Adamstown	Cessnock	Merewetho r Atlvance	Points
Adamstown	x	2-2, 1-3	1-3, 1-2	1
Cesnock	2-2, 3-1	x	3-3, 1-2	4
Merewethe r Advance	3-1, 2-1	3-3, 2-1	×	7

In the Final Cessnock defeated Merewether Advance 2x1

In the Western area that is Wallsend & Plattsburg the entries were Wallsend Mazeppas, Wallsend Royals, Minmi Starlights, West Wallsend Bluebells.

1911 Wallsend Senior Group	Wallsend Mareppas	Wallsend Royals	Allerii Starlights	West Walisend	Points
Wallsend Mazeppas	x	3-3, 4-1	1-0, 0-2	2-0, 2-2	8
Wallsend Royals	3-3, 1-4	x	2-2, 1-3	1-0, 0-2	•
Minmi Starlights	0-1, 2-0	2-2, 3-1	x	1-0, 0-1	7
West Wallbend	0-2, 2-2	0-1, 2-0	0-1, 1-0	x	5

Semi Finals
Minmi Starlights 3 v West Wallsend Bluebells 1
Wallsend Mazeppas 1 v Wallsend Royals 1
Replay
Wallsend Mazeppas 3 v Wallsend Royals 1
Final
Wallsend Mazeppas 2 v Minmi Starlights 0

However, in other grades, there were record entries in all grades.

2nd Grade 8 entries
3rd Grade 9 entries
4th Grade 14 entries

The Lodges 5 entries School Competitions 6 entries.

The winners were

Senior City Area Merewether Advance (Premiers)
Cessnock (Ellis Cup)

Senior Western Area

Wallsend Mazeppas (Premiers)
Wallsend Mazeppas (Final)

2nd Grade 2nd Grade

3rd Grade Abermain (Final)

4th Grade

The Lodges Wallsend I.O.R. (Final

The school competition was won by Plattsburg, who then went on to defeat Birchgrove 2x1 in the first State School final

Gardiner Cup
Only two nominations from Newcastle area was submitted for
the Gardiner Cup, they, were West Wallsend Bluebells who were
beaten 2x1 by Sydney, and Wallsend suffered the same fate
2x1 beaten by Newtown.

STATE OFFICIALS SHOW CONCERN.

The State Officials were perturbed by the split in the Northern ranks.

Steve Lynch state secretary came north, after after .

a conference with both waring parties, arrangements were made for two State Officials to come to Newcastle and try to settle this unfortunate dispute.

On 22/7/1911 at the National Hotel Wallsend messrs E.Perrin and C.Thorpe were successful in bringing to an end this dispute. Unity was restored Mr.Jack Harrison of Wallsend was appointed Secretary, while Mr.George Brown of New Lambton was appointed President.

Queensland Visits Newcastle The visit of the Queensland Association team to Newcastle produced a gate of £57 pounds, and a win to Newcastle. 2x1 The Newcastle Team is(Not in correct playing positions) Albert Elliott (Merewether Advance) Fred Watson J. Hansen

F. Williams (West Wallsend Bluebells) W. Acres

** R. Sneddon J. Harrison J. Thompson (Cessnock)

Clarke David Williams (Minmi Starlights) G.Barr

Referee J.H.Black(Sydney)

New South Wales 3 v Queensland 2 v Queensland New South Wales

Queenslands Association Officials asked the NSW association for a return match with Newcastle in three months time but this was rejected by State officials. However, Newcastle sought permission to visit Queensland in September and permission was granted. The Newcastle team was selected
Bob Elgey, J. Thompson, W. Brown, W. Thomson, F. Williams,
T. Campbell, J. Cuthbert, Charlie Pickersgill (Capt) M. Lee Fred Watson, W. Stoker, D. Johnstone, J. Cook.

"BUT BUT" four days prior to the proposed date of departure, the State Association cancelled permission for the tour., such high handed action did not go down to well with Newcastle, quickly brought caustic criticisms. from Newcastle, who in turn threatened legal action to recover ₹100 pounds spent on tour preparations.

New South Wales Visits Tasmania. A NSW team visited Hobart for one match and the players are

R. Hughes (Balmain) F. Howieson (Granville)

T. Denniss (Newtown)

J.Richards(Helensburg) E.C. Evans (Helensburg)

B. Patcher (Capt) Helensburg)

W. Grummett (Newtown)

J.B. Smythe(3) Canterbury)

A. Jones (Corrimal)

A.Oldfield(2)Corrimal)
T.R.Yaylor(Corrimal)
J.Mitchell(Balmain)

J. Gibson (Balmain)

H. Nurse (Manager)

New South won match 5x2

Tasmania Returns Visit

New South Wales

11 v Tasmania Sydney

0

F.Storey(Balmain)

J. Thompson (Cessnock)

T. Denniss (Newtown)

J.Meehan(Balmain)

R.Moore(Capt)Balmain)

A. Peattie (Granville)

J. Grogan (Sydney)

A. Gallagher (2) Balmain)

B.Ferguson(5)Balmain)

W.Carroll(3)Annandale Leichhardt)

A.O'Hehir(1)Balmain)

Referee Ern Lukeman

**Would you please note that the Cessnock Club used its new colours this year. Black & Amber.

Tasmania Comes North
Tasmania played against a very strong local team, with
Newcastle winning 4x0
Newcastle team was
Bob Elgey(Adamstown)G.Campbell(Adamstown)
N.Brennan(West Wallsend)Dave Williams(Minmi)
C.Harrison(Wallsend)M.Lee(1)Adamstown)J.Campbell(Westy)
J.Stewart(Westy)G.Mason(1)Westy)F.Thorpe(2)Adamstown)
J.Barry(Minmi)

1911 Wallsend Mazeppas Football Club
Back Row.J.Scott,A.Parkinson,R.Scott,E.Steel(Sec)
R.Parkinson.P.Dobinson,W.Patrick,E.Williams(Treas)
R.Wanless,W.Robertson(Pres)
Front Row.C.Parkes,J.Craig,C.Williams(Capt)
H.Patrick,W.Robertson(Jun)
Colours Green & Gold



1912 Season President.J.Maloney Secretary T.Estell Treasurer.P.Slavin

On the 2nd March 1912, the report of the commission was presented to a large gathering at the Broadmeadow Hotel, under the chairmanship of Mr.C.Mahoney. The report covered proposals for the future competitions in Newcastle and the Wallsend areas, together with the "Districts" ideas proposed in the following areas and boundaries.

- 1) Newcastle-Merewether, Hamilton
- 2)Wallsend-Wallsend & Plattsburg

3)West Wallsend

4) Adamstown, Charlestown, Lambton, Dudley

5) Minmi, Seahampton

- 6)Catherine Hill Bay, Boolaroo, Swansea, Teralba, Holmesville, Young Wallsend.
- 7) Kurri Kurri, East Greta, Heddon Greta, Weston.

8) Cessnock, Neath, Abermain.

There were several minor criticisms of the report and some modifications were accepted. The entries showed an upward trend and were listed as follows;

Seniors.Cessnock, Dudley, Minmi, West Wallsend 2nd Grade.Adamstown, Killingsworth, Kurri Kurri, Merewether.

3rd Grade 8 entries
4th Grade 9 entries
U/18 9 entries
U/16 6 entries
Schools 6 entries
Lodges 6 entries

The Ellis Cup season commenced 18/5/1912 with fortnightly matches.

1912 Ellis Cup	Adamstown	Cessnock	Dudley	Minmi	West Wallsend	Points
Adamstown	x	0-2, 1-2	1-0, 2-0	2-2, 2-3	1-2, 1-0	7
Cesnock	2-0, 2-1	X.	2-1, 3-1	2-2, 2-0	3-2, 1-0	15
Dudley	0-1, 0-2	1-2, 1-3	х	1-1, 1-0	2-2, 0-3	4
Minmi	2-2, 3-2	2-2, 0-2	1-1, 0-1	х	2-4, 4-3	7
West Wallsend	2-1, 0-1	2-3, 0-1	2-2, 3-0	4-2, 3-4	x	7

Graded Teams players(Incomplete)
Adamstown Shamrocks
Gardener, Avery, Kimber, Fenwick, Wyman, Davies, Burrage, Ball,
Sneddon, Mitchell, Tripney, Roddam, Paton.

Holmesville Talbot, Edden, Winwood, Terrace, Warburton, Avery, Woods, Pease, Gray, Love, Ryan, Fenwick, Mitchell, Tripney. West End Onslow, Gill, Jackson, Thompson, Fisher, Cairns, Blythe Wales, Williams, Woods, Johns, Lingard, Hedley

Bolaroo Stickney, Burns, Dobson, Smailes, Brockman, Hyde, Lewis, Bull, Dever, Wilmott

Adamstown
Elgey, Doyle, Doyle, Sykes, Harris, George, Hopton, Price, Lee,
Wallworth, Bartley, Russell, Arthur, Elliott, Johnson,
Mitchell, Cunningham, Robinson, Filby, Maxwell, Loveday.

Dudley Thistles Mowbray, Thompson, Grayson, Crittendale, Rundle, Saults, Presland, Sketchley, Graham, Mitchell

Redhead Moppies
McDougall, Hunt, Gilchrist, Geddes, Dodds, Brennan, Wilson
Hetherington, Conlon, Cato, Westbrook, McLelland.

Adamstown, Cessnock, Minmi West Wallsend qualified for the semi finals.

Cessnock defeated Adamstown 3x1 West Wallsend defeated Minmi 3x0.

In the final at Newcastle Showground West Wallsend and Cessnock played a 1x1 draw., in the replay one week later a penalty converted by "Tup"Rennix saw the cup go to Cessnock.

The Cessnock Team

T.Spowart
G.Rennix
J.Thompson
A.Walker,
J.Gaul
A.Renfrew
C.Waite

W.Thomson W.Faulds J.Brown H.Clayton West Wallsend Team

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T.Coates
F.Williams
N.Brennan
J.Stewart
R.Sneddon
T.Campbell
C.Lewis
J.Richmond
G.Mason
C.Thompson
J.Harrison

Interstate Games
An interstate series between NSW and Queensland took
place with two games being played in Sydney.
The first match on 22nd June at Wentworth Park,
NSW 2 v Queensland 1
NSW Team was F.Storey(Balmain)F.Milner(Corrimal)
R.O.White(Corrimal)A.Gallagher(Corrimal)J.Herron(Sydney)
A.Larta(Balmain)G.Hughes(Sydney)A.Moore(Capt)Balmain)
J.Grogan(Sydney)A.Jones(Corrimal)S.Blake(Newtown)
Referee.Rev.G.H.Hargot.

In the second match, held at Epping on 29th June,
NSW 6 defeated Queensland O. This game saw NSW line up
F.Storey(Balmain) A.Latta(Balmain) E.G.Hughes(Sydney)
J.Meehan(Balmain)A.Moore(Balmain)J.Rhodes(Sydney)
J.Grogan(Sydney)W.Robertson(Balmain)A.Jones(Corrimal)
W.Carroll(Annandale Leichhardt)J.Nicholl(Sydney)
Referee W.Lincoln

During the Queenslanders visit they met the South Coast going down 8×2 to the coasters. The South Coast team was Drain, Salisbury, Maxwell, Jeffries, C. Masters, J. Rhodes, Ackers, C. Jones (3) A. Jones (2) J. Masters (3) Taylor (1)

Queensland Team Morrison, Dowding, Law(1) Mackay, Young, Burns, Bullock, Fontaine(1) Adkin, Bowman, Dickson,

New South Wales sent a team to Queensland later in the year.

In game.1. NSW 2 defeated Queensland 1
In game 2, the result was the same NSW 2 v Queensland 1
The NSW touring team was
R.Hughes(Balmain, J.Thompson(Cessnock)A.Latta(Balmain)
M.Vandenneiche(Balmain)J.Haigh(Balmain)A.Moore(Balmain)
S.Hilder(Newtown)J.Mitchell(Newtown)L.Howie(Corrimal)

W.Acres(West Wallsend)A.Jones(Corrimal) J.Ferguson(Balmain)A.O'Hehir(Balmain)

In an intrastate match between South Coast and Sydney Metropolitan, the teams were

2 v Sydney Metropolitan 2 South Coast F. Storey Drain Woodbine Broadhead Harrigan Maxwell Jeffries Oliphant . C. Masters Milner Howie J. Rhodes Teasel Ackers(1) J.Jones Vandenneiche A.Jones(1) Killan(1) Carroll(1) A.Oldfield Davies. J. Masters

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1913 Season President.H.Maggs Secretary.T.Estell

Entries for this season showed a big increase with six teams nominating for the senior grade, ten for 2nd grade, 20 for 3rd grade and eight for the U/18.

The season opened on the 7th May. with the six nominated teams, but unfortunately, Wallsend Mazeppas withdrew on June 6th.

1913 Premiership Series	Cessnock	Merewether Advance	Wallsend Mazeppas	Minmi	Morrisett	West Wallsend	Points
Cessnock	×	0-1, 0-1	3-0, W/F	2-0, 1-1	2-0, 1-0	1-2, 1-3	11
Merewether Advance	1-0, 1-0	x	2-0, W/F	1-0, 2-0	4-1, 3-1	1-1, 3-1	19
Wallsend Mazeppas	0-3, L/F	0-2, L/F	х	L/F, L/F	L/F, L/F	L/F, L/F	0
Mlnmi	0-2, 1-1	0-2, 0-1	W/F, W/F	x	3-2, 2-2	1-2, 0-1	8
Morriset	0-2, 0-1	1-4, 1-3	W/F, W/F	2-3, 2-2	x	1-4, 1-3	5
West Wallsend	2-1, 3-1	1-1, 1-3	W/F, W/F	2-1, 1-0	4-1, 3-1	х	17

In the Premiership Final, West Wallsend narrowly defeated Merewether Advance after 270 minutes of play. The scores were 2x2 in game 1.and 1x1 in the 2nd match, and finally, 2x1 to West Wallsend in the 3rd match.

West Wallsend 2 v Merewether Advance 1

Sneddon Elliott Doyle Knudson, Williams, Johnson Pickersgill Sneddon Campbell Sneddon Stewart Loveday Ackers Gray Thorpe Sinclair Curhbert Lee Alberts Simpson, Gardener Watson

Ellis Cup

In the Ellis Cup final, Merewether Advance were more successful, downing Weston 2x1
MErewether Advance Elliott, Doyle, Johnson, Pickersgill, Sneddon, Loveday, Gray, Thorpe, Lee, Alberts, Watson

Weston. Bowie, Hindmarsh, Gilmour, Williams, Cameron, Stoker, Tickle, Kidd, McNaughton, Mather, Tweddle

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In the 2nd Grade final Minmi defeated Cessnock 2x1. U/18 GradeWallsend and West Wallsend played three successive draws. 1x1,1x1,1x1 and so decided to share the trophy.

NSW VISITS Victoria

NSW met Victoria at Epping where in the first match Victoria defeated NSW 3x2
For Nsw

W. Geering (Canterbury

J.Ross(Burns Anniversary)

E. Hughes (Sydney)

A.Moore(Capt)Balmain)

E.Ferrier(Balmain)

E. Bywater (Newtown)

J.Crogan(Balmain)

A. Jones (Corrimal)

J.Herron(Sydney)
J.Masters(2)Newtown)

S. Blake (Newtown)

In the second match at Epping NSW 1 v Victoria

L.Mitchell(Newtown)

J. Thompson (Capt) Cessnock)

David Williams (Minmi)

A. Newton (Newtown)

J. Carmichael (Newtown)

T.Rose(Balmain)

W.Ackers(West Wallsend)

W.Robertson(Balmain)

A.Layton(1)Northern Suburbs)

W. Carroll (Annandale Leichhardt)

J. Warrior (West Sydney)

Where

NSW Visits Victoria, wher two matches were played at Fitzroy.

16th August Victoria won 3x2,

NSW TEAM WAS H.Lowe(Annandale Leichhardt)David Williams(Minmi)

E.Hughes(Sydney)D.Cain(Minmi)G.Newson(Annandale Leichhardt)

J.Stoker(Weston)N.Musgrove(Canterbury)W.Teasel(Glebe)

C.Jones(Northern Suburbs)W.Carroll(Capt)2)Annandale Leich)

S.Blake(Newtown.)

The second match on 23rd August saw a 1x1 result NSW TEAM

H.Lowe(Annandale Leichhardt)E.Hughes(Sysney)

G.Newson(Annandale Leichhardt)J.Haigh(Canterbury)

J.Ferguson(Balmain)M.Musgrave(Canterbury)C.Jones N.Suburbs)

W. Teasel(1)Glebe)W. Carroll(Capt)Annandale Leichhardt)

S.Blake(Newtown)J.Ross(Burns Anniversary)





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The Book Of Football 1913 New South Wales 2 v Queensland Epping Sydney W. Geering (Canterbury) J.Ross(Burns Anniversary) E.G.Hughes(Sydney) A"Bert"Moore(Capt)Balmain) E. Ferrier (Balmain) E. Bywater (Newtown) J. Grogan (Balmain) A. Jones (Corrimal) J. Herron (Sydney) Judy Masters(2)Newtown) Newton (Newtown) S.Blake(Newtown) Referee W.Lincoln New South Wales 1 v Queensland Epping Sydney J. Mitchell (Newtown) J. Thompson(Capt)Cessnock) Dave Williams (Minmi Rangers) A. Newton (Newtown) A. Carmichael (Newtown) T.Rose(Balmain) W.Acres(West Wallsend) W. Robertson (Balmain) A.Layton(1)Northern Suburbs) W. Carroll (Annandale) J. Warrior (West Sydney)

Referee Ern Lukeman

1913 Player Register
Abermain(Incomplete)
Rose, Barker, Crook, Bell, Lott, Hunter, Bailey, Chapple,
Outram, Soydell, Logan

Wallsend(Incomplete)
Rushton, Wanless, R. Means, W. Craig, P. Vials, Steele, W. Gray
Bert Mansfield, A. Gray, Maddison, Bower.

Neath(Incomplete)
Hinchcliffe, Hutton, Strang, Pockett, Yates, Purcell, Cusick,
Colgate, Metcalfe, Chapman, Jack, Patrick, Bamback.

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1914 Season President.H.Maggs Secretary.D.Johnston Treasurer.T.Estell

At the Annual General Meeting held at Wallsend on the 24th January, Secretary elect, Mr Dave Johnston, recommened the formation of a Management Committee to enable important decisions to be made quickly. This was agreed to , Another innovation was the formation of a REFEREES ASSOCIATION with Thomas Crawford (West-Wallsend) and T. Durie (Wallsend) as delegates. It was further decided that the Examination Committee, to test potential referees, would consist of Messrs T. Crawford, J. Sanderson, and R. Skillings.

In the inter-district game in Sydney, Newcastle went down to the southerners 3x2.

The Northern Team was(Not in playing order)
R. Sneddon(West Wallsend)F. Williams(West Wallsend)
J. Thomson(Cessnock)J. Clarke(Cessnock)W. Stoker(Weston)
D. Clarke(Weston)C. Pickersgill(Merewether Advance)
J. Sneddon(Merewether Advance)T. Thorpe(Merewether Advance)
Fred Alberts(Merewether Advance) F. Watson(Merewether Adv.)

At the end of the Premiership series the table read.
Weston 10
Merewether Advance 9
West Wallsend Bluebells 8
Cessnock 6

Wallsend Rovers

In the Final Merewether Advance beat Weston 1x0 with the winning goal being scored by J.Thorpe. the Weston Geordies fielded three new arrivals from overseas during this season, they being, Bill Lambert, Jimmy Bellamy, Jim Laird.

INTER_State Games
Victoria toured NSW AND played two matches against the locals. Victoria won both games the first 1x0 the second 3x2, Referees for the games were E.Ratcliffe game 1. and J.McDonald game.2.
The NSW TEAM FOR GAME 1.
was.H.Lowe(Annandale Leichhardt)J.Ross(Burns Anniversary)
L.Gill(Granville)R.Moore(Granville)
E.Nash(Annandale Leichhardt)J.Grogan(Sydney)
Wyber(Sydney)J.Doener(Granville)Judy Masters(South Coast)
S.Blake(Newtown)J.Sneddon(Merewether Advance)

Game 2 teams - Victoria won 3 goals to 2

NSW Team - 1914



Back Row: D Boyd (Line Umpire), D McIvor (Reserve), J MacDonald (Referee), J Thompson, H Lowe, J Nobbs (President NSWFA), P Stanger, W A Wright (Line Umpire), F Gow (Tm)

Wright (Line Umpire), F Gow (Trn)
Middle Row: W Wyber, A A Gallagher, J Haskins, W Carroll (Capt), S Blake Front Row: R Rasell, S Hilder, E Nash



Unknown, G Wells, H Kelly, J Nobbs (President NSWFA), W Twigg, G Middle Row: J Grieves, G Brown, T Ruddinan, W Church, J Anderson Front Row: J Lowe, D McMillan (Capt), A Fisher Back Row:

1914 Season

Queensland Tour.

Newcastle secured one representative in a team of 15 to tour Queensland in June.

Jimmy Thomson of Cessnock who was hailed as the find of the decade. The full touring team was

H.Lowe(Ann Leichhardt)P.Stranger(Sydney)J.Ross (Burns-Anniversary)E.Hughes(Sydney)A.Law(Balmain)

A.Quill(Annandale Leichhardt)Jim Thomson(Cessnock)

W.Carroll(Capt)Annandale Leichhardt)E.Nash (Ann-Leich)

D.McIvor(Sydney)W.Burroughs(Sydney)E.Ferrier(Balmain)

Results of the two matches were

Match 1.Queensland won 3x2

Match.2 0x0 Draw.

***Would you please note A.Quill is the father of
Alf Quill who would play with Wallsend in the 1930-40's

Gardiner Cup
In the Gardiner Cup, a record number of five teams from the north entered. They were Merewether Advance,
West Wallsend, Cessnock, Wallsend Rovers, Weston
Merewether were beaten in the final at Epping Racecourse on 26th Sept by Granville 3x1, Four of Merewether
Advance team had enlisted by this time and were at the army camp in Sydney.
However, leave was granted to them to play in the final.

Of the other northern contenders Wallsend were eliminated in the first round, West Wallsend lost to Weston. Cessnock lost in round 2, Weston went to Holroyd in round three. but then went down to Granville 3x2 in the semi final.

1914 Blis Cup	Cessnock	Marewather Advance	Wallsend	Weston	West Wallsend	Points
Cessnock	×	6-1, 0-5	1-1, W/F	0-0, 0-2	1-0, 0-1	8
Merewether Advance	5-0, 1-6	×	2-0, W/F	1-1, 1-0	1-2, 4-0	11
Wallsend	1-1, L/F	0-2, L/F	x	0-3, L/F	0-3, 0-1	1
*Weston	0-0, 2-0	1-1, 0-1	3-0, W/F	x	2-1, 1-1	11
West Wallsend	1-0, 0-1	2-1, 0-4	3-0, 1-0	1-2,-1-1	×	9

Ellis Cup results
Semi Finals
West Wallsend 2 v Weston 1
Bye to Merewether Advance.
Final Merewether Advance 0 v West Wallsend 0
Replay
Merewether Advance 3 v West Wallsend 0

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New South Wales visits Queensland
Players were
H.Lowe(Annandale Leichhardt)E.Stranger(Sydney)
J.Ross Burns Anniversary)E.Hughes(Sydney)
A.Law(Balmain)Alf Quill(Annandale Leichhardt)
A. Gallagher (Annandale Leichhardt) J. Edge (Annandale Leich)
H. Harrison (Annandale Leichhardt) D. McIvor (Sydney)
W.Carroll(Capt(Annandale Leichhardt)E.Ferrier(Balmain)
E. Nash (Annandale Leichhardt) W. Burroughs (Sydney)
**Please note that A.Quill is the father of Alf Quill
who would later write the records of Northern Football
in the 1930-40 era.
                         2 v Queensland
New South Wales
                                                 0
                         O v Queensland
New South Wales
                                                 3
                         2 v Victoria
New South Wales
H.Lowe(Annandale Leich)
                                   G. Wells
                                   H.Kelly
Jimmy Thompson(Cessnock)
                                   W. Twigg
E.Stranger(Sydney)
                                   G. Raitt
E. Nash (Annandale Leich)
                                   J. Grieves
S. Hilder (Granville)
                                   G. Brown)
  Rosall(South Coast)
                                   D.McMillan(Capt)
  Wyber(Sydney(
                                   A. Fisher
A. Gallagher (Annandale Leich)
                                   T. Ruddian
  Hoskins(Sydney)
                                   W. Church
W. Carroll(Capt) Annandale Leich)
                                   T. Anderson
S. Blake (Newtown)
                                   Reserve
                                   T. Lowe
                     Referee J.McDonald
                          O v Victoria
New South Wales
H. Lowe (Annandale Leich)
J. Ross(Burns Anniversary)
L.Gill(Granville)
R. Moore (Granville)
R. Sneddon (Merewether Advance)
E. Nash (Annandale Leichhardt)
J. Grogan (Sydney)
  Wyber (Sydney)
J. Doerner (Sydney)
Judy Masters(Balgownie)
S.Blake(Newtown)
                Referee E. Ratcliffe.
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1914 Kn Round.1	ock Out Compo . Merewether Weston Wallsend Cessnock	etition Advance	4	v	Killingsworth Minmi West Wallsend Merewether (B)	0 3 0 1
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	Weston		4	v	Wallsend	0
	Merewether	Advance			Cessnock	3
Final	Merewether	Advance	1	v	Weston	0

War Clouds Gather on the Western Front The month of August brought war clouds across the British Empire and like all sporing codes, many players signed up for service. However, the 1914 season was completed before the AIF sailed overseas.

Player Register

Merewether Advance Fred Watson, Joker Sneddon, Charlie Pichersgill, Herron, Banks, Banks, Peter Doyle, Barnes, Winter, C. Johnson, Terrias, Fred Alberts, Freeman, Thorpe, Williams, Ford, Harvey, Bissett, McLaren, Gray, Peter Coppick, Blackwood, Borthwick, Elgey, Loveday.

West Wallsend. R. Sneddon, F. Williams, C. Knudson, J. Stewart, Gardener J. Sneddon, J. Harrison, Thompson, T. Sinclair, Lewis, Campbell, Simpson, Burrell, Grimson, J. Bainbridge, M. McConnell,

Cessnock Spowart, T. Rennix, Gaul, Clarke, Brown, J. Thompson, A, Thomson, Wells, McBlane, Walker, Leckie, Faulds, Hancock, Hartley, Colquhan, Ashman, Baldwin, Bowie, Lonergan, Marshall

Weston

Hindmarsh, Bobby Austin, R. Austin, H. Smith, J., Smith, J. Gilmour, Sneddon, Stoker, Mather, Kidd, A. Lambert, Godsell, Ramage, J. Clarke, Jack Avis, Carr, Tweddle.

Wallsend

Oliver, Bob Lidbury, J. Jones, Mahoney, Mahoney, Williams Parkes, Robinson, Davies, Albert Morgan, Paterson, S. See, Stewart, Fogo, Lewis Yargo Roy

Wallsend Mazeppas V. Dobinson, R. Robertson, J. Robertson, W. Patrick, J. Patrick, H. Wanless, R. Scott, A. MOrgan, Stewart, Buchanan, Scott, Maloney

Merewether Advance(2nd Grade) Abe Elliott, Cob Johnson, E. Loveday, Joe Thorpe, J. See, Stewart, Gray, Sneddon, C. Pickersgill, Thoms, Oliver, Hirst, Richards, Woods, . Dovle, F. Watson

Minmi WANDERERS

Fred Price, David Williams, Joker Bilbie, Len Pugh, Bob Cain Bill Newton, Hugh Willoughby, George Barr, Jack Barr, James Brown, Flemming, Itchy Archibold.

Weston
A.Bowie, W.B.Hindmarsh, Jack Gilmour, S.Williams, R.Kidd,
J.Stokes, J.Bates, R.Stephenson, J.Sneddon, J.Mather,
S.Tweddle, Andy McNaughton, Bill Beverley.

Killingsworth(Incomplete)
Coates,M.Millan,Slater,Dempsey,M.Mares,T.Ross,Cook,
McWilliams,Richmond,Frew,Ansell

East Greta(Incomplete)
Lavender, Cartwright, Jowett, R. Jowett, J. Jowett, Bewes,
Burns, Allen, Taylor, Armstrong, Moore, H. Cook, J. Cook.

Kurri Kurri John Swarbrick, Jack Wallworth, Adam Ramage, John Hadley, Jack Lockhart, C. Bower, Bill Swarbrick, George Hancock, Tom Grimson, Dave Clarke, Snow Brown, John Wardlough, Jack Burfitt,

2nd Grade Teams West Wallsend, Wallarah, Minmi, Abermain, Weston, Killingsworth, Merewether Advance.

3rd Grade Teams Cessnock, Abermain, Young Wallsend, Dudley, Wallsend. No.1 Wallsend No.2., Wallarah, Rhondda, Adamstown, Neath, Seaham, Sawyers Gully, West Wallsend

U/18
Boolaroo, East Greta, Cessnock, Abermain, Wallsend No.1.
Wallsend No.2. Dudley, New Lambton, Neath, West Wallsend,
Merewether Advance, Adamstown, Cardiff

Registered Referee's
B. Pratten, H. Pratten, McBlane, Tom Crawford, J. Sanderson
Walker, Tomilson, Hughes, Dellacca, Skillings, Tom Durie
H. Roy,





Back Row: J Daniels, R Clark, J W Pickard (Secretary), J Wilson, J Bilbie, M Moyle, S Smith (Treasurer)
Middle Row: W Mullen, G Hay, M Kane (President), H Daniels, W Newton
Front Row: W Lang, J Russell, N Cramp (Capt), D Newton, W Mulholland

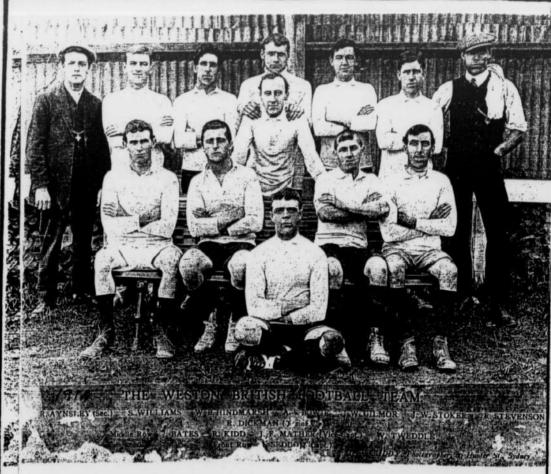


The soldiers of the East Surrey Regiment playing soccer as they advance across noman's-land through a hail of enemy fire. A patriotic poet commemorated the event: Where blood is poured like water they drive the trickling ball...True to the land that bore them, The Surreys play the game!'

1914



Mr.Frank Mellier Smith with his proud memory of winning the Southern British Football Premiership.
Mr Mellier Smith according to my records, was no ordinary player (See NSW state line up 1915) Played many years with Granville, He looks very proud indeed with his winners cap and so he should be.
Many Northern players also won similar caps, but unfortunately I could not obtain a loan of one.



1914 The Weston British Football Team
Back Row.R.Aynsley(Sec)S.Williams,W.B.Hindmarsh,
A.S.Bowie,J.W.Gilmour,J.W.Stoker,R.Stevenson.
Third Row.R.Dickman
Seated.J.Bates,R.Kidd,J.F.Mather(V.Capt)W.Tweddle
Sitting on Ground. Seddon(Capt)

1914

National Football Body It was during this year that the first attempt was made to form a national body organisation.

Commonwealth Football Association Formed.

President.H.L.Doherty(Victoria)

Secretary-Treasurer Ern Lukeman(NSW)

Delegates at the confrence were

President of NSW F.W.Barlow

President of Victoria E.G.Crawford

Secretary of South Australia W.Bellis

Secretary of Queensland J.S.Hildreth

President of Tasmania J.H.Starr

West Australia was represented by the convenor of the meeting Mr.Ern Lukeman.

It was resolved that the Commonwealth Football Association excerise complete control over all International and Interstate tours in the future.

It was further resolved that England be asked to send a First Class touring to Australia as soon as possible.

The meeting closed with all visitors being entertained by the Melbourne Sports Union.Club.

Commonwealth Referee's Association Formed Brisbane 1914
Chairman.J.J.B.Honeysett(Tasmania)
Patron.John Nobbs(MLA)NSW)
Vice Presidents.
Cuthbert Parsons(South Australia)
S.I.Ross(Queensland)
J.J.B.Honeysett(Tasmania
H.L.Doherty(Victoria)
W.Lincoln(NSW)
A.McDonald(West Australia)
Secretary-Treasurer J.H.Black(NSW)
**Would you please note that both these organisations
were reported to have gone into recess till after the War

**Please note that throughout the early 1920's Mr.E.Lukeman, with the support of the President of the Southern NSW British Football Association called a meeting in Melbourne at the Caledonian Club on the 16/8/1921 with the view of reforming a National body.

1915 Season

President.T.McBlane

Secretary. David. T. Johnston

Treasurer.R.Skillings

The War caused many problems for officials of all sporting bodies, but, the Northern District British Football Association decided to continue with its competitions.

The strong Weston Club lost five of its players to West Wallsend, through the lack of a decision as to what Weston was going to do, Carry on, or disband till the War was over.

Those players were W.Lambert, J.Mather, D.Clarke, A.Ramage, and Jack Gilmour.

Two inter District matches were played during the year. Firstly, Newcastle met Sydney with a team comprising G.Jones, A. Ramage, C. Knudson, C. Pickersgill, J. Laird, Peter Coppick, J. Thorpe, F. Alberts, Jack Gilmour, W. Lambert, D. Clarke.

7915 Ellis Cup	Cessnock	Newcastle United	Merewether Advance	West Wallsend	Points
Cesnock	x	2-0, 2-1, 2-1	1-2, 0-0,	2-1, 3-1, 1-1	13
Newcastle United	0-2, 1-2,	x	1-4, 1-4,	1-2, 1-2, 1-4	0
Merewether Advance	2-1, 0-0,	4-1, 4-1, 2-1	x	1-3, 3-0,	14
West ' Wallsend	1-2, 1-3,	2-1, 2-1, 4-1	3-1, 0-3, 0-	×	9

In the Ellis Cup final, held on 25th August, Merewether Advance 2 defeated Cessnock 1.

v Cessnock Harold Merewether Advance 2 Bob Elgey Ross Johnson Rennix Wallworth Anderson Way Laird Coppick Thomson(1) Sneddon Renfrew Pickersgill Colquhan Watson Hancock Alberts(1) Davies Thorpe Jowett Jennings(1)

1915 2 v Sydney Newcastle 2 Newcastle Showground 24/5/1915 Jones Cooper (Drummoyne) David Williams Gill(Granville Jim Thompson(Capt) E. Hughes (Sydney) Charlie Pickerskill R. Moore (Capt) Granville) J. Laird Lee(Pyrmont) P. Coppock Woodhouse(D.Clarke Nash(Annandale Leichhardt) J. Thorpe McGhee(Pyrmont) F. Alberts Charlton (Balmain) J.Gilmour McLean(2)Pyrmont) H.Bellamy S.Blake(Northern Suburbs) Referee R.Skillings Sydney 0 v Newcastle 0 Sydney 7/6/1915

H.Lowe(Annandale Leich) Jones E. Hughes (Sydney) S. Ramage L.Gill(Granville) C. Knudson R.Moore(Capt)Granville) C. Pickerskill J. Ferguson (Balmain) J.Laird McLean(Pyrmont) P. Coppock Miranda(Drummoyne) D.Clarke Charlton(Balmain) Lambert M. Smith (Granville) F. Alberts H. Hoffman (Granville) J. Thorpe S.Blake(Northern Suburbs) H.Bellamy Referee W.Lincoln.



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1915 Weston British Football Club.
Back Row.W.Lambert, W.B.Hindmarsh, Bobby Austin, J.Henry
G.Kennedy.
2nd Row.F.Telfer, Dick Austin, J.Duxfield, R.Veitch, R.Humble
W.S.Paul
2nd Front. R.Tweedle, J.Kell, H.Bellamy, W.Beverley, J.Perry
W.Tweedle
Front.Jack Avis, J.Bellamy

Queensland Visits North

In June, a local representative team defeated a visiting Queensland side, 2x1

Newcastle

2 v Queensland

G. Jones

F. Williams,

Jim Thomson

C. Pickersgill(1)

J. Laird

P. Coppick

J. Thorpe

F. Alberts

J. Gilmour

J. Bellamy D. Clarke(1)

Queensland however redeemed themselves by beating NSW at the University Oval in Sydney on the 28th June. The score being 4x2.

NSW Team 2 v Queensland

H.Lowe(Annandale Leichhardt)

L. Gill (Granville)

Hughes (Sydney)

C. Knudson (West Wallsend)

R. Moore (Capt) Granville)

J. Laird (Cessnock)

Ferris(Annandale Leichhardt)

Cob Jones(Corrimal)
Fred Alberts(Merewether Advance)

Frank Mellier Smith(Granville)

Gardiner Cup

Five Northern teams nominated for the Gardiner Cup, Merewether Advance, West Wallsend Bluebells, Wallsend Rovers, Cessnock Caledonians, and Newcastle United

West Wallsend progressed to the final by beating Granville in the semis, 2x1 in a replay after they had tied 2x2 in the first game. The War time final saw Balmain defeat the Bluebells 2x0.

Kerr Cup

In the Kerr Cup final, on the 30th October, Merewether Advance defeated West Wallsend 3x2. The second Grade Final went to Weston who defeated Adamstown 5x2.

Weston's Team. Bobby Austin, W. Hindmarsh, J. Henry, Dick Austin, J. Sneddon, J. Duxfield, Jack Avis(2) H. Bellamy(2)

W. Beveridge (1) W. Veitch, and J. Bellamy

Adamstown's Team. Bob Elgey, Stewart, Beeton, Hopton, Arthur, Harrison, Coates, Robinson, Cameron(1)Lewis(1)Cunningham

For the record the full ser	ie	S	of	the	Ker	r Cup	was	
as follows			-					
Round.1.Newcastle United	2	v	C	essn	ock			1
Merewether Advance	5	v	P	yrmo	nt (A)		1
West Wallsend	4	v	AI	nan	dale	Leic	h	1
Young Wallsend	ted 2 v Cessnock vance 5 v Pyrmont (A) 4 v Annandale Le d 2 v Glebe 2 v Pyrmont(B) : vance 4 v Balmain 3 v Newcastle Un			0				
Balmain	2	v	Py	rmo	nt(B)		1
				:				
Round.2.Merewether Advance	4	v	Ва	lma	in			0
West Wallsend Young Wallsend(Bye)	3	v	Nε	wcas	stle	Unite	ed	1
round Mattsend(DAG)								

Semi Finals

West Wallsend won on Forfeit from Young Wallsend Merewether Advance(Bye)

Final Merewether Advance 3 v West Wallsend 2.

Player Register.

Merewether Advance
Bob Elgey, Jack Doyle, Thorpe, Bateman, Beeton, Watson,
F. Alberts, Purvis, C. Pickersgill, Johnson, Hogg, Mullins,
Wallworth, Rouse, Stewart, Gray, Elliott, Sneddon, Wardrop,
Coppick, Gaul, Mitchell, Bates, Jennings.

Cessnock G.Rennix, Harold Ross, Bath, Clarke, Stephens, J.Laird, Brown, Brunskill, Coxalt, Colquhan, Auld Davis, Pate, Walker, Collins, Shaw, J. Marshall, J. Thomson, W. Thomson, Stoker Anderson, Chevalli, F. Renfrew, R. Renfrew, McCullen, J. Jowett

Newcastle United
Reedie, Williams, Rodden, Harris, Borthwaite, Donaldson,
Donaldson, Craigie, Hunter, Lewis, McKenna, Aitken, Caldwell
McDade, Fyfe, Gillen, Eggleton, Pickersgill, McKinnon,
Davies, Howard, Robinson, Searle, Roy, Shaw.

West Wallsend Jones, F. Harrison, C. Knudson, Sneddon, Ray, Gilmour, Clarke, Hicks, Gardener, T. Sinclair, Bainbridge, Lewis, Brennan, Ramage, Lambert, Gilmour, Williams, Campbell

Registered Referee's
Gibson, R. Blair, Laurie Tamlyn, J. Sanders, Hughes, Mills,
Court, Spowart, Dellacca, Hands, Tom Durie, Harry Pratten,
Bede Pratten, R. Skillings, Westwood, Harley, Simpson,
Walker, H. Maggs (President) D. T. Johnston (Secretary)
J. Sanderson (treasurer) Tom Crawford.



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For the record the full ser as follows	ies	5	of the Kerr Cup was		
Round.1.Newcastle United	2	V	Cessnock	1	
Merewether Advance	5	v	Pyrmont (A)	1	
West Wallsend			Annandale Leich	1	
Young Wallsend			Glebe	0	
Balmain			Pyrmont(B)	1	
Round.2.Merewether Advance	4	v	Balmain	0	
West Wallsend Young Wallsend(Bye)	3	v	Newcastle United	1	

Semi Finals

West Wallsend won on Forfeit from Young Wallsend Merewether Advance(Bye)

Final Merewether Advance 3 v West Wallsend 2.

Player Register.

Merewether Advance
Bob Elgey, Jack Doyle, Thorpe, Bateman, Beeton, Watson,
F. Alberts, Purvis, C. Pickersgill, Johnson, Hogg, Mullins,
Wallworth, Rouse, Stewart, Gray, Elliott, Sneddon, Wardrop,
Coppick, Gaul, Mitchell, Bates, Jennings.

Cessnock
G.Rennix, Harold Ross, Bath, Clarke, Stephens, J.Laird,
Brown, Brunskill, Coxalt, Colquhan, Auld Davis, Pate, Walker,
Collins, Shaw, J. Marshall, J. Thomson, W. Thomson, Stoker
Anderson, Chevalli, F. Renfrew, R. Renfrew, McCullen, J. Jowett

Newcastle United
Reedie, Williams, Rodden, Harris, Borthwaite, Donaldson,
Donaldson, Craigie, Hunter, Lewis, McKenna, Aitken, Caldwell
McDade, Fyfe, Gillen, Eggleton, Pickersgill, McKinnon,
Davies, Howard, Robinson, Searle, Roy, Shaw.

West Wallsend
Jones, F. Harrison, C. Knudson, Sneddon, Ray, Gilmour, Clarke,
Hicks, Gardener, T. Sinclair, Bainbridge, Lewis, Brennan,
Ramage, Lambert, Gilmour, Williams, Campbell

Registered Referee's
Gibson, R. Blair, Laurie Tamlyn, J. Sanders, Hughes, Mills,
Court, Spowart, Dellacca, Hands, Tom Durie, Harry Pratten,
Bede Pratten, R. Skillings, Westwood, Harley, Simpson,
Walker, H. Maggs (President) D. T. Johnston (Secretary)
J. Sanderson (treasurer) Tom Crawford.

1916 Season President.T.McBlane Secretary.Ed Masterson Treasurer.

1916 saw the World war move into its third year. All sections of the community had to make sacrifices to ensure victory. In the north, there was a continued heavy enlistment of manpower and the Association, under Secretary, Ted Masterson, had to face such problems. The full delegates' meeting, however, found a very suitable solution. Importantly, the code was kept alive while also bearing in mind the need to help the war effort from every possible angle. It was decided that the top competition, and the U/18 series as well, would be "All Aged' Premierships. Each entrant in the top circle would be allowed four "regular" senior players plus seven former juniors

Under this system nine entries were received-Boolaroo, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Merewether Advance(A) Merewether Advance(B), Newcastle United, Wallsend Royals, Wallsend Rovers, Weston(A) Weston(B).

In the U/18 grade, there were 10 entries.
Abermain, Boolaroo, Cessnock, East Greta, Kurri Kurri, Merewether Advance, Wallsend Rovers, Adamstown, Merewether Stirlings and Chookies.
Blackburn Oval, near the Junction, was the central ground. and many important matches were staged there.

1916 Blis Cup	Cessnock	Newcastle United	Merowether Advance A	Merewethe r Advance B	Wallsend	Weston A	Weston B	Kurri Kurri	
Boolaroo	x	1-2	0-1	3-3, 1-0	1-5	0-5	1-2	2-1	5
Newcastle United	2-1	x	3-1	W/F	2-2, 1-0	0-2	0-3	W/F	11
Merewether Advance A	1-0	1-3	x	2-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	3-1	8
Merewether Advance B	0-1, 3-3	L/F	1-2	x	L/F	0-3	1-3	W/F	3
Wallsend	5-1	2-2, 0-1	1-1'	W/F	x	4-1	0-1	W/F	10
Weston A	5-0	2-0	0-0	3-0	1-4	x	1-1, 2-2	W/F	11
Weston B	2-1	3-0	2-1	3-1	1-0	1-1, 2-2	X	2-0	14
Kurri Kurri	1-2	L/F	1-3	L/F	L/F	L/F	0-2	X	0

The season commenced on the 8th July, Kurri Kurri withdrew on the 12 August due to heavy enlistments

1916

in the top circle, Weston (A)Weston (B), Newcastle United qualified for the smi finals. in game 1, Weston(A) 1 v Newcastle United O, while Weston(B) defeated Wallsend 2x1. in the second semi final; thereby setting up the first all Weston final. The game was played at the "Homestead" and although ending in a scoreless draw, it provided plenty of action for the 1200 fans,

The replay was held at Blackburn Oval at the junction with Weston(A) making three changes to their team Bobby Austin went into the goals, Jack Avis to centre forward and Tweddle replaced Beverley on the right wing. The Weston(B(team replaced Davis with Hancock. The (A) team's selection paid off however with Avis scoring the only goal of the match, giving Weston(A) the Ellis Cup.

WESTON ALBION BRITISH F.C.

WINNERS OF ELLIS CUP AND MEDALS. 1916.



Representative Matches
Two inter district games between South Maitland and
Newcastle were staged with the profits going to the War .
Funds appeal !. The first game, held in Newcastle, saw
the coalfields team win 4x1. But in the return game at
Weston, Newcastle avenged their loss with a 3x1 victory.

Another representative game of importance was played in Newcastle between a Newcastle X1 and the 30th Battalion. The diggers won by 4×3 but many sailed overseas the week after to experience the hardships of trench warfare in northern france.

Overall, the season was a successful one; far more so than was first anticipated.

1916 Player Register (All clubs Incomplete) Adamstown Rosebud. Smith, Golightly, Blackman, Lambert, Robson, Baldwin, Cassidy, Johns, Jones, Liddell, Hansaker, Ryan

Merewether Advance Elgey, Coppick, F. Alberts, Donaldson, Twist, Stewart, Kent Gillespie, Hands, A. Cunningham, Corrigan, A. Bartley, Bush Tolhurst, Rowse.

Weston(A)
Bobby Austin, Richard Austin, W. Lambert, Logan, J. Taft,
Hemsworth, Jack Avis, J. Henry, Gilbert, W. Tweddle, Johnson
A. McNaughton, Bird, Browne, Smith, R. Tweddle, W. Gilertson,
H. Hollingsworth

Wallsend Rovers
Brown, T. Davis, Bob Lidbury, Albert Morgan, T. Durie,
E. Mahoney, W. Rushton, C. Roy, Bert Manesfield, R. Hepplewhite,
W. Parsons, E. Mahoney, Paddy Vials, H. Matthews,
George Bower, K. C. Davis
***Please note Albert Morgan never missed a penalty.

Boolaroo Jones, Griffiths, Buckley, Raw, Odgers, Gardiner, Smith, Kelly, Garfoot, A. McLaughlin, A. Gardiner

Kurri Kurri Partridge, Kelly, Jenkins, Lloyd, Newman, Young, Barnes, Thurley, Moroney, Liversole, Grant, Daniels

Newcastle United Searle, Rennix, Sneddon, D. Williams, Rogers, Stewart, Myers, Hays, Borthwaite, T. Smith, W. Nix, Adams, Nixon, Walters, Bush, Hunter.

Registered Refferee's B. Pratten, H. Pratten, A. Harley, J. Hands, W. Gibson, Laurie Tamlyn, J. Sanderson.

1917 Season. President.R.Martin Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn

When club delegates assembled for the Annual General Meeting, many reported deleted playing lists owing to constant enlistments. Merewether reported 55 members on active service, Kurri Kurri 37, Cessnock 33, Wallsend 19, Adamstown 19, West Wallsend 15, Weston 14, many others clubs were also affected.

It was therefore decided to continue the "All Aged" systems for 1917 season and eight entries were received; Cessnock, Merewether Advance, New Lambton, Wallsend Rovers, Weston Albions, Weston Magpies, and Young Wallsend.

1917 Blis Cup	Cessnock	New Lambton	Merewether Advance	Wallsend	West Wallsend	Young Wallsend	Weston Albians	Weston Magpies	Points
Cessnock	Х	2-1, 2-1	4-1, 1-0	0-1, 2-1	0-3, 1-3	1-7, L/F	1-3, 0-1	0-1, 0-1	10
New Lambion	1-2, 1-2	×	0-1, 3-0	0-4, 0-2	2-3, 1-3	1-2, 2-2	0-2, 1-3	0-1, 0-2	3
Merewether Advance	0-1, 1-4	0-3, 1-0	×	3-3, L/F	0-3, 1-1	2-2, L/F	1-5, 1-2	0-0, 0-2	6
Wallsend	1-0, 1-2	4-0, 2-0	3-3, W/F	х	1-4, 1-0	3-1, 1-0	C-2, 1-0	2-0, 0-0	19
West Wallsend	3-0, 3-1	3-2, 3-1	3-0, 1-1	0-1, 4-1	x	1-1, 1-0	2-1, 1-0	0-2, 0-1	20
Young Wallsend	7-1, W/F	2-1, 2-2	2-2, W/F	1-3, 1-1	1-1, 0-1	х	0-2, 1-4	1-0, 3-0	16
Weston Albions	3-1, 1-0	2-0, 3-1	5-1, 2-1	2-0, 0-1	1-2, 0-1	2-0, 4-1	x	1-1, 0-0	20
Weston Magpies	1-0, 1-0	1-0, 2-0	0-0, 2-0	0-2, 0-0	2-0, 1-0	0-3, 0-1	1-1, 0-0	x	18

The semi finals were delayed by three weeks due to a major coal strike but when they finally eventuated, they drew improved crowds and the success of the competition also showed in the finances of the Association. The first semi final, on 3rd October, saw Wallsend beat West Wallsend 2x1, at Blackburn Oval. both teams were Wallsend Rovers 2 v West Wallsend Bluebells I

W. Rushton

R. Lidbury

A. Morgan

J. Durie

E. Mahoney

Shaw(1)

T. Lidbury

Gray

Mulholland

B. Manafield(1)

Davis

A. Lewis

C. Lewis

J. Coutts

R. Sneddon

Anderson

T. Sinclair

Lee

T. Coates(1)

Kaiser

Felden

Jeffries

The second semi final also on the 3rd October, was an all Weston affair between the Weston Albions and the Weston Magpies.

This clash, held at Abermain, fired the imagination of the coalfields who, after nearly four years of war time conditions, were keen to support any sporting event. Practically the whole of Weston, Kurri Kurri, Cessnock and in between, turned out at the Abermain Sports Ground for the clash but the crowd proved to be too much for the officials, Only 40% paid the sixpence admission fee ! It proved to be a day of sensations all round. After 80 minutes of hectic play, the score stood at 1x1, with a goal to McNaughton(Albions) and another to Jimmy Bellamy(Magpies), However, in the ensuring goalmouth struggle a Magpie forward was punched by an opponent and knocked out cold. The crowd immediately surged through the ropes and attacked several Albion players, Word was flashed to a nearby group of mounted police who were stationed at the Abermain NO.1 Colliery where over 50 loyalists were hewing coal as all miners were on strike. As soon as the police arrived, they rushed the field and order was quickly restored, Referee, J. Sanderson, who showed considerable courage, ordered both teams back to complete the match,

The scores, however, remained at 1x1 and so a replay was

ordered. The two sides comprised

Weston Albions 1 v Weston Magpies
Bobby Austin H. Smith
Art Lambert C. Campbell
Hicks W. Seddon

Richard Austin
J.Strange
H.Hollingsworth
Wake

Kell
Shields
R.Duxfield
H.Bellamy

R.McNaughton(1)

Jack Avis

Graham

Graham

W.Tweddle

J.Bellamy(1)

Referee J. Sanderson

The replay took place at Blackburn Oval with the Albions winning 3x0, Jack Avis scored two goals for the winners. Team changes for the replay were TAYLOR FOR WAKE in the Albions, while Paterson and LYNCH replaced Baker and Corrigan for the Magpies.

The Final was held on 27th October at Blackburn Oval, Wallsend defeated Albions 2xO with both teams remaining unchanged from their respective semi finals. Bert Manafield scored the two goals for Wallsend. (Many years later, Bert became a Methodist Minister and one of his appointments was at Kurri Kurri).

In 2nd Grade, ten entries were received with Adamstown beating Wallsend 2x0 in the final.

Gardiner Cup Not Played
For the second season in a row, the Gardiner Cup was not played. In it's place, two inter district games between Newcastle and the Coalfields were staged and proved to be real crowd pleasers. The first game, played at Blackburn Oval in July, saw South Maitland win 2x1. The gate was

72 Pounds was given to the parriotic funds. South Maitland also won the return match held at Weston on the 10th November.

Player Register

As can be seen, the players list and referee's list was very thin because of the War still in progress.

Merewether Advance

Danvers, Tapp, Hayes, Rowe, Newton, Gillespie, Scully, Daniels, Martin, Hurst, Twist, Tolhurst, Lingard, Herron, Parsons, Manderson, Elgey, Borthwick, Sneddon, Ashman.

West Wallsend Calderbank, Lewis, Anderson, Turnbull, Sneddon, J. Coutts, T. Coates, Muir, Lee Kaiser, Sinclair, McKenzie, Gelder.

New Lambton
Mitchell, Williams, Morgan Blair, Myers, Stewart, Hogg, Nelson,
Lake Lovell, Durrant, White, Jordan, Butterworth, Whitelaw.

Wallsend Rovers
Rushton, Davis, Williams, Williams, Durie, Mahoney, Robinson,
Wardle, Lawson, G. Bower, O'Brien, See, Gray, Manafield,
Albert Morgan, Bob Lidbury, Blair, Mulholland.

Cessnock Sneddon, Rennix, Thomson, Dickie, Baldwin, Durie, Johnson, Hancock, Brunskill, Hepplewhite, Davies, A. Renfrew.

Weston Albions
Bobby Austin, Dick Austin, A. Lambert, Hicks, Tait, Strang, Reay, Wake, Jack Avis, Taylor, Tweddle, W. Smith, P. Austin.

Weston Magpies
Gall Tweddle, Campbell, Kell, Sneddon, Shields, Brown, Henry,
Duxfield, Bowen, Moroney, Fitzgerald, Lynch, H. Smith,
J. Bellamy, H. Bellamy

Young Wallsend J.Jones, R.Jones, M.Jones, F.Convery, Griffiths, Buckley P.Nelson, R.Gardiner, T.Parkes, W.Preston, Curran, Odgers, M.Gardiner.

Registered Referee's Laurie Tamlyn, H. Pratten, B. Pratten, R. Blair, A. Harley, W. Gibson, P. Dobinson, J. Reid, D. Jackson, J. Sanderson.

1918 Season President.R.Martin.Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.A.A.Stirling

The War was still dragging on but sport relieved the pressure on the population.

Laurie Tamlyn, who had become a great power in northern football, won the day on his trip south.

He made two vital gains for northern football.

He persuaded the State Association to again stage the Gardiner Challenge Cup series for the State Knock Out" supremacy and he secured the right for Sydney Clubs to nominate in the Kerr CUP, Which was the north's local "knock out" series. He also won the right for northern clubs to field all senior player's for Gardiner Cup matches This was essential because in the local premiership, teams were only allowed four seniors in the "All Aged" series.

Despite winning this concession, this formed the basis of a protest when the final was won by Weston.

Back to local happenings. Because of travelling difficulties South Maitland clubs conducted a separate competition. The nominations for 1918 were:
Newcastle Zone..Adamstown, Merewether Advance, Wallsend Rovers, West Wallsend and Young Wallsend.

South Maitland.. Abermain, Cessnock NO.1. Cessnock No.2 Hebburn, Greta and Weston.

1918 Elis Cup (Newcastle Zone)	Adamstown	Wallsend	West Wallsend	Young Wallsend	Merewathe r Advance	Paints
Adamstown	x	1-1, 2-2, 0-1	L/F, 0-1, 1-2, 2-0, 2-2	2-1, 1-1, 1-1	2-1, 3-1	13
Wallsend	1-1, 3-3, 1-0	х	3-1, 2-0, 1-0	1-0, 7-0, 7-0, W/F	2-1	20
West Wallsend	W/F, 1-0, 2-1, 0-1, 2-2	1-3, 0-2, 0-1	x	4-1, 2-1, 3-1	1-0	15
Young: Wallsend	1-2, 1-1,	0-1, 0-7, 0-7, L/F	1-4, 1-2,	х	3-3	3
Merewether Advance	1-2, 1-3	1-2	0-1	3-3	×	1

Merewether Advance withdrew from the competition Mid season

Adamstown, Wallsend, West Wallsend and Young Wallsend all qualified for the semi finals.

Adamstown beat West Wallsend 3x1 in the first semi final, after playing a 1x1 draw. (Of great interest, is that Bill"Podge"Maunder was on the right wing for the first match against Adamstown).

In the other semi final, Wallsend easily accounted for its near rival, Young Wallsend, 4x1.

1917
The Southern British Football Association held a special match at the Sydney Cricket Ground No.2 during the year to aid the War Funds Relief.

The teams Players who were Australian born and and migrating British stock.

Australian Born V.Paling J.Thompson J.Robinson J.Gray L.Jelfs

H.McAllister
A.McLean(1)
L.Miranda(1)
A.Doerner(1)
Cantle
W.Walk

3 v Great Britain Born
H.Ellis
G.Williams
K.Fraser
R.Smith
P.Levy
Knapp
P.Grogan(1)
Robinson
Haskis
J.Lyons(2)

. F.L. Mellier-Smith

1918

The final between Wallsend and Adamstown proved to be one of the roughest on record with players being continually warned about their play. At the end, however, Wallsend had won 4x0.

1918 Hemmings Cup (South Maitland Zone)	Cestrock A	Cesmock 	Hebburn	Weston	Whithum	Abermain	Points
Cessnock A	X	1-2, 2-2	0-3, 1-0	1-2, 0-1	2-2, 0-1	8-2, W/F	8
Cessnock #	3-1, 2-2	x	1-3, 2-0	1-3, 1-1	1-2, 6-3	6-0, W/F	12
Hebburn	3-0, 0-1	3-1, 0-2	x	1-3, 0-1	1-1,, W/F	2-2, W/F	10
Weston	2-1, 1-0	3-1, 1-1	3-1, 1-0	; x	2-1, 1-1	7-3, W/F	18
Whitburn	2-2, 1-0	2-1, 3-6	1-1, L/F	0-2, 1-1	х	W/F, W/F	11
Abermain	2-8, L/F	0-6, L/F	2-2, L/F	.3-7, L/F	L/F, L/F	x	. 1

While Abermain withdrew mid season, Weston was the winner with seven wins and a draw from eight games. The semi finals were between Cessnock (B) 2 v Hebburn 1., and Weston 3v Whitburn 1. In the final, Weston went on to beat Cessnock(B) 2x0 in the Hemmings cup final.

The figures for the other grades reflected the growth of football in out lying areas.

The third grades attracted ten entries in the Newcastle zone and six for South Maitland, U/18s had nine in Newcastle and four in South Maitland, while the U/16s attracted six in Newcastle and ten in the South Maitland.

Kerr Cup

Four Sydney teams entered the local Kerr Cup, they being Balmain Fernleigh, Balmain Kiora, Pyrmont, and Canterbury. The local teams included Adamstown Rosebud, Boolaroo, Minmi, Teralba, Wallsend Rovers, West Wallsend, and the Woodpeckers.

With the infusion of strong teams from the Southern Association, the Kerr Cup series was the best ever and big crowds enjoyed the inter city flavour. Wallsend knocked out Pyrmont in the first semi final, 2x0. While West Wallsend caused a sensation by defeating

Balmain Fernleigh

The final of the Kerr Cup was played at West Wallsend and drew a very large crowd.

In the end, the locals outplayed Wallsend Rovers to the tune of 4 goals to nil.

The scorers for West were Tommy Coates (2)Dick Sneddon(1) AND N.Convery(1).

1918.					
	ll results were.				
	West Wallsend	2	v	Canterbury	1
Mound.	Wallsend Rovers	1	v	Adamstown Minmi	0
	Wallsend Jellies	2	v	Minmi	2
Panlay	Minmi	2	V	Wallsend Jellies	0
	Teralba			Boolaroo	1
	Teralba			Boolaroo	0
		-			
Byes,	West Wallsend Woodpec Balmain Kiora.	ke	rs	,Pyrmont,Balmain	Fernleigh,
Round. 2	West Wallsend	3	v	Woodpeckers	1
	Wallsend Rovers	5	v	Teralba	1
	Wallsend Rovers Balmain Fernleigh	2	v	Balmain Kiora	0
	Pyrmont	4	v	Minmi	0
Semi Fin	nals				
	Wallsend Rovers	2	v	Pyrmont	0
	West Wallsend	3	v	Balmain Fernleigh	1
Final	West Wallsend	4	v	Wallsend Rovers	0



Back Row.J.Coates, W.McKenzie, J.Laverty
Middle Row.Frank Craig, J.Coutts, R.Sneddon, Andy McKay
Alec Hodge.
Front Row.P.Convery, Governor Kaiser, Tom Coutts, Tom Sinclair
Bill Smith.

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1918 Kerr Cup Semi Final
  Wallsend
                            4 v Young Wallsend
  W. Rushton
                                F. Convery
  R. Lidbury
                                  Griffiths
  J. Davies
                                J. Nelson
  E. Mahoney
                                A. Ridley
  A. Morgan
                                A.Nelson
  T. Lidbury
                                  Cooke
  H.Shaw(1)
                                  Cain(1)
   Gray(1)
                                A. Gardiner
   Bower(1)
                                L. Gardiner
 C. Roy(1)
                                  Patrick
  H. Mahoney
                                J. Jones
                  Referee J. Sanderson.
 Semi Final
 West Wallsend Bluebells 1 v Adamstown Rosebud 1
 W.McKenzie
                                 A. Smith
 A. Lewis
                                 D. Williams
 J. Coutts
                                 F. Hayes
   Anderson
                                   Doyle
 W.Maunder
                                   McAllister
 H. Kaiser
                                 Charlie Nix
  Johnson
                                Yah Sneddon
 G. Lewis
                                   Myers
 Tommy Sinclair(1)
                                    Johns(1)
  Turnbull
                                   Pollock
 W. Smith
                                    Stewart
                Referee J. Sanderson
 Replay
 Adamstown Rosebud 3 v West Wallsend Bluebells 1
 R. Elgey
                                 W.McKenzie
 D. Williams
                                 A. Lewis
F. Haves
                                 J.Coutts(1)
  Doyle
                                   Anderson
  McAllister
                                 T. Coates
C.Nix
                                 H. Kaiser
ah Sneddon(2)
                                 W. Smith
   Middleton
                                   Johnson
   Myers
                                 G. Lewis
                                Tommy Sinclair
   Johns
  Bartlett(1) Referee.J.Sanderson
                                  Turnbull
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1918	Kerr Cup Fir	nal	
At	West Wallsend	20/10/1918	
West Wallsend W.McKenzie J.Coates J.Laverty J.Coutts R.Sneddon A.McKay T.Sinclair W.Smith T.Coates H.Kaiser Convery	Bluebells 4	v Wallsend Rovers W, Rushton J. Davies R. Lidbury A. Morgan T. Durie E. Mahoney C"Yargo"Roy H. Shaw T. Lidbury B. Manafield	0

1918 Northern District British Football Association Team (NDBFA)
V Sydney Metropolitan Association 3/6/1918



Standing.A. Harley(Assist.Sec)L. Gardner, A, Tolhurst,
J. Sneddon, T. Sinclair, A. J. Cunningham,
W. Wright(Referee's L. B. Tamlyn(Sec)
Middle. Mr Gardner, J. Coutts, J. Davies, W. Rushton(Capt)
Bob Lidbury, J. Durie, R. George
Front Row. J. Shields, A. Gardner.

Dispatch From The Front.

During the season, a special dispatch from France brought the news that the 34th Battalion of Newcastle had beaten an English Army Unit 3x2 For the record the Newcastle team was Sneddon(Cessnock)Lovett(Teralba)Taylor(Cessnock) Jones(West Wallsend)White(Adamstown)Peter Coppick(Merewether) Gaul(Cessnock)Slavin(West Wallsend)Colquolon(Cessnock) Bates(Minmi)Bilbie(West Wallsend)

1918	Rep	resentat:	ive Matches	
Sydney			Newcastle	1
	Sydney	Cricket	Ground	
Ellis			W.Rushton	
Leckie			R.Lidbury	
Robinson			J.Davies	
Gray			Jock Sneddon	
Bond(1)			T. Durie	
Sheffield			J.Coutts	
Craig			A. Gardiner	
Fraser			J. Cunningham	
Doerner(1)			Tommy Sinclas	ir(1)
McLean(1)			Yah Sneddon	
White			L. Tolhurst	
	Refere	A.Wrigh	nt	

						1000
Sydney				4 v	Newcastle	0
	New	castle	Showg	round	24/6/1918	
					Bob Elgey	
			~		C.Lewis	
No Sydney	Team	Availa	ble		Bob Lidbury	
Scorers					J. Coutts	
White(1)					T. Durie	
McLean(1)					J.Sneddon	
Doerner(2					Tommy Coates	
	•				Yah Sneddon	
					Tommy Sinclair	
					Chas "Yargo"Roy	
					Bert Manafield	

Referee A. Court

South Maitland	3 v Newcastle	0
	AT Weston Homestead 14/7/1918	
Bobby Austin	E.Coates	
J. Thompson	J. Daries	
W.Lambert	D.Williams	
Dick Austin	Albert Morgan	
Tup Rennex	Bob Lidbury	
Duxfield(1)	T.Durie	
Brunnskill	J.Coutts	
Jack Avis	C"Yargo"Roy	
George Hancock	L.Tolhurst	
J. Kennedy	Bert Manafield	
Alf Hodges(2)	T. Coates	
	Referee W. Tweddle.	

Gardiner Cup
Five Northern teams nominated for the Gardiner Cup, They were Cessnock, Adamstown Rosebud, West Wallsend, Weston, and Wallsend Rovers, who joined the six Sydney Clubs West Wallsend defeat of Adamstown 4x3 saw four northern teams enter the second round. Cessnock ousted the favourites, West Wallsend, by the odd goal, while Weston ran Wallsend into the ground 5x1. However, the latter game was ordered to be replayed by the Sydney authorities but in the replay, Weston again won 1x0, Cessnock, Weston, Pyrmont, and Balmain Kiora qualified for the semi finals and the coalfields supporters eagley predicted, and waited for, an all coalfields final. However, the draw prevented this, with the two local teams being drawn to play each other in the semi final.



HOLMESVILLE U/18 PREMIERS

In what was reported as one of the best cup ties ever seen in the north, Weston won itsway to the final, defeating Cessnock 3x1 Further south, three games were necessary before Balmain Kiora finally beat Pyrmont; the scores being 1x1,3x3, and finally 4x1.

On the bleak afternoon of 21st September 1918, at the Epping Recreation Ground(Harold Park) Weston won the Famous Gardiner Challenge Cup by defeating Balmain Kiora 1x0. The Sydneysiders, however, took their loss in a very poor fashion. Immediately after the final whistle blew, they protested long and loud on three ground and subsquently the Cup was not presented.

The Weston Geordies returned home to a civic reception, as hundreds of supporters crowded the Weston Railway station on the Sunday night.

The town's brass band was in attendance but general disappointment was manifest when skipper, Bill Lambert, could not produce the "FAMOUS GARDINER CHALLENGE CUP".

1918 Weston-Gardiner Cup Winners



Back Row.W.Lambert(Capt)Bob Austin, J. Henry, W. H. Tweddle(Sec) Middle Row.J. Shields, R"Dick"Austin, H. Hollingsworth, J. Duxfield Front Row.W. Beverley, H. Bellamy, J. Avis, A. McNaughton, J. Bellamy.

Coalfield Register

U/18 Cessnock.Rennex, Player, Diver, Williams, Gibson, Stewart, Waite Brown, Fairhall, Elliott, Haffer, Rowe, Hedley, Hodge, Stevenson.

Abermain Coutts, Ross, Bates, Robinson, Chapple, Shaw, Wilson, Thomas, Barker, O'Connell, Endean (Incomplete)

Weston
A.Taylor, Halley, A.Young, J. Donald, T. Stanbridge, W. Cook, A. Spiers,
J. Derricott, T. Oliver, G. Taylor, A. Stewart, H. Williams, E. Green
G. Norris

1918	Repa		ative Matches	1.20
Sydney		3	v Newcastle	1
	Sydney	Crick	et Ground	
Ellis			W.Rushton	
Leckie			R.Lidbury	
Robinson			J.Davies	
Gray			Jock Sneddo	n
Bond(1)			T.Durie	
Sheffield			J.Coutts	
Craig			A.Gardiner	
Fraser			J. Cunningham	
Doerner(1)			Tommy Sincla	air(1)
McLean(1)			Yah Sneddon	
White			L. Tolhurst	
	Referee	e A.Wr	ight	
Sydney			4 v Newcastle	0
New	castle S	Showgr	ound 24/6/1918	
			Bob Elgey	
			C.Lewis	
No Sydney Team	Availab	ole	Bob Lidbur	у
Scorers			J.Coutts	
White(1)			T.Durie	
McLean(1)			J.Sneddon	

Referee A. Court

Doerner(2)

South Maitland			3 v Newcastle	0
	AT	Weston	Homestead 14/7/1918	3
Bobby Austin			E. Coates	
J. Thompson			J. Davies	
W.Lambert			D.Williams	
Dick Austin			Albert Morgan	
Tup Rennex			Bob Lidbury	
Duxfield(1)			T. Durie	
Brunnskill			J. Coutts	
Jack Avis			C"Yargo"Roy	
George Hancock			L. Tolhurst	
J. Kennedy			Bert Manafield	i
Alf Hodges(2)			T.Coates	

Referee W. Tweddle.

Tommy Coates

Yah Sneddon Tommy Sinclair Chas "Yargo" Roy Bert Manafield

Gardiner Cup Five Northern teams nominated for the Gardiner Cup, They were Cessnock, Adamstown Rosebud, West Wallsend, Weston, and Wallsend Rovers, who joined the six Sydney Clubs West Wallsend defeat of Adamstown 4x3 saw four northern teams enter the second round. Cessnock ousted the favourites, West Wallsend, by the odd goal, while Weston ran Wallsend into the ground 5xl. However, the latter game was ordered to be replayed by the Sydney authorities but in the replay, Weston again won 1x0, Cessnock, Weston, Pyrmont, and Balmain Kiora qualified for the semi finals and the coalfields supporters eagley predicted, and waited for, an all coalfields final.

However, the draw prevented this, with the two local teams being drawn to play each other in the semi final.

1918

Kurri Kurri

J. Stevenson, P. Lennard, G. Willetts, A. Rees, S. Ross, E. Searston S. Stanmore, K. Rodgers, S. Field, S. Grant, W. W. Evans, F. Forster, V.McLean, E.Ace.

U/18 Semi Finals

Weston Kurri Kurri

2 v Abermain 4 v Cessnock 1 0

Final

Kurri Kurri S.Field(2)

2 v Weston G. Taylor(1) 1

Player Register

Neath Horne, Drinkwater, Hutchinson, Oughton, Ryan, Roddon, Harrison Turner, Evans, Wilmott, McLeary, Rush, Cusick, Parker

Hebburn Starlights Kell, Iredale, Seddon, Russell, Shields, M. Whitley, Logan Paterson, Hawke, Anderson, Duxfield, Tweedle.

Cessnock No.1. Harolds, J. Thompson, Dick, Durie, Strang, Davies, Brunskill, Renfrew, Hancock, F. Renfrew, Williams, Chapman

Cessnock No.2. W. Brown, Muir, Rennex, Etheridge, Patrick, Williams, Hogg, Russell, Waite, Stevenson, Hancock,

Weston. Bobby Austin, Dick Austin, Bill Lambert, Hickson, J. Jarvis, H. Hollongsworth, J. Tate, T. WAke, McCullock, A. Taylor, Jack Avis, J. Jarvie, Bill Beverley, Len Pugh, Morgan, Hicks. A. Mc Naughton

Young Wallsend. Baldwin, Griffiths, N. Convery, Cain, A. Ridley, Cook, Preston Nelson, T. Rodden, Robinson, J. Sneddon, S. Smith, L. Gardiner, A. Gardiner, Poynett, Buckley, J. Nelson, H. Patrick,

Merewether Advance B. Johnson, B. Lingard, F. Wilson, W. Twist, G. Bush, A. Davies, B. Green, J. Sneddon, Roddon, Smith, Robinson, B. Hirst, F. Watson A. Danvars, R. Craig.

Wallsend Stewart, Davies, W. Rushton, Bob Lidbury, Albert Morgan, Ted Mahoney, Charlie "Yargo"Roy, Mitchell, Bert Manafield, J. Davis, Bower, H. Gray. T. Manesfield

Adamstown D. Williams, Charlie Nix, Stewart, F. Williams, Durrant, Lake, Myers, J. Cunningham, Maddison, Arthur, Fredda, Manderson, F, Hays, Mitchell, Bullerwell, Yah Sneddon, Davis, Wilkes, Doyle.

Players List

West Wallsend
E.Coates, Tommy Coates, Jack Coutts, Lee, A. Lewis, J. Lewis, Convery, Hodge, Ward, Tommy Sinclair, W"Podge" Maunder, Governor Kaiser, Anderson, Taft, Jimmy Curran Bill Smith.

South Maitland Officials President.George Avis Secretary.W.Hindmarsh Treasurer.R.Hawke

South Maitland Referee's H.Spiers, J.Earpe, F.Jennings, W.Tweedle, H.Spowart, Tom Crawford

Newcastle Referee's Billy Stott, Laurie Tamlyn, A. Harley, D. Jackson, M. Lamb, Tup Lidbury, W. Hughes, J. Sanderson, J. Bullerwell, A, Court, Dellacca, Kedwell, O. Reid.

Entries in Grades

All Aged. Adamstown, Merewether Advance, Wallsend, West Wallsend, Young Wallsend.

3rd Grade entries Barnsley, Boolaroo, Charlestown, Merewether Advance, Minmi, Wallsend Rovers, Wallsend Jellies West Wallsend, Young Wallsend.

U/16 Grade Adamstown, New Lambton, Jesmond, Merewether Advance, Wallsend, Hamilton

U/12 Grade Adamstown, Islington, Merewether Advance, West Wallsend.

Coalfields Entries

All Aged Abermain, Cessnock No.1. Cessnock No.2., Hebburn, Weston, Whitburn

3rd Grade Abermain, East Greta, Kurri Kurri, Pelaw Main, Neath, Whitburn

U/18 Grade Cessnock, Abermain, Kurri Kurri, Neath, Weston.

U/16 Grade Abermain, Cessnock, East Greta, Kurri Kurri, Neath, Weston, Kurri Kurri Rechabites, South Cessnock, Whitburn, Tom Tits.

HEBBURN

A few months after developmental work on the surface of the Hebburn Colliery had progressed, a group of workmen approached the colliery manager. Mr. R. Harle, for permission to use a cleared portion of land as a football field. This was readily granted and Mr. Harle said, "I agree and hope that this area will be used for other sports."

Soon many of the workers engaged in football practice after work. Many were players from Newcastle.

During late years of World War I, junior soccer was played on the Hebburn pitch.

In 1919 a junior team, "Tom Tits", registered and included the following players: G. Grant. Horne. J. McCroarey, R. McNaughton. R. O'Brien. E. Junor. G. Junor, Smith, Kennedy. Striker. Hall. R. O'Brien. McGoldrick. Downes.

In 1918, a surplus of senior players in the Weston area allowed Hebburn to enter South Maitland senior ranks in quest of the Hennings Cup. Players included Kell. Tweddle, W. Snedden, J. Snedden, Russell, Shields, Patterson. Whitley, Logan, Hawke, Anderson and Duxfield (Capt.). Their first match at Hebburn was against Whitburn Stars — ended in a 1 all draw. Same Hawke, a keen devotee to soccer, scored the first senior goal on Hebburn's ground.

During the season goalscorers were J. Duxfield 8, S. Hawke 6, J. Logan 4. Paterson 4, Anderson 4, Shields 3, J. Snedden 3, W.

Hebburn showed improved form in 1919 with the same players. Goalscorers were J. Duxfield 5, Patterson 5, J. Snedden 5, Logan 4, S. Hawke 4, Anderson 4, Shields 3, Russell 3, Bates 2. Progress was reported in 1920 when the club entered the Gardiner Cup series.

In its first tie, it played a 3 all draw v Rothbury, won replay by 2 to 1 but were knocked out by Weston in second round by 4 to nil. During the season players for Hebburn included: W. Snedden, J. Bates, A. Outridge, J. Richardson, R. Bates, J. McCroarey, R. McNaughton, G. Grant, W. Bates, J. Davies, A youthful discovery, J. "Crabbie" McCroarey was top scorer on 15, R. Bates (5), McNaughton (5), R. Logan (4) also scored goals. In 1921, the senior section of the club disbanded and players were snapped up by the stronger clubs. Juniors continued playing under the banner of the S.M.F.A. In 1923, the 3rd graders beat Greta in the district final by 2 to 1. This success prompted the club to re-enter the local senior grade in 1924 when a six-team competition proved a big success.

It appears that the club's last appearance of any importance was in the Stevenson Cup when it was outed by Aberdare by 2 to 1. One of the Bates brothers scored the club's last goal in senior matches.

Right from the first, the club colours were pale blue with a yellow star on left breast.

Hebburn's secretary in its pioneering days. Billy Tweddle insisted that Hebburn's colours were worn by Weston United when it won the State title in 1918.

1919 Season

The return of thousands from the war gave all sports a.great boost. Many of those returning had seen football overseas and their interest in the game was apparent on the Australian football scene; especially in Newcastle A large influx of miners from England, Scotland and Wales brought many players and spectators to the north. thereby causing a big upsurge in patronage. Early in the1919 season, the Northern District British Football Association(NDBFA) issued a comprenhensive list of players who had fallen in battle overseas. Over 500 names were printed in the Annual report. Some of the high ranking players lost included Adam Ramage, Dave Clarke, Bill Atkin, Frank Jones, Jim Winters, W. Stevenson, T, Parkes, G. Pollard, J. Searles, W. C. Sneddon, R. Convery, D. Gibb, W. Callender, R. Croker, Captain E. Manefield won the Military Cross while the Military Medal and Bar went LCP Coppick.W. Wymer, W. Eagles Archie Forbes L. Parkes were also awarded the Military Medal and Bar. West Wallsender J. Bilbie, was a recipient of a Certificate of merit from King George V for bravey in saving a person from the river Thames. Another leading West Wallsend Player Ned Brennan, lost a leg after being injured in battle. At the AGM Secretary Laurie Tamlyn, explained the blue print for northern football. After the success of the 1918 season, he advocated a continuance of the same plan. The main points put forward were:

1) Premiership series-main match of the day on a central ground.

2)semi final/final at the end of the series for the Ellis Cup

3) Kerr Cup symbol of knock out championship-open to Sydney Clubs

4) Inter District games between Newcastle, South Maitland Sydney and where possible South Coast Teams.

5) Encouragement in the use of northern grounds for the Gardiner Cup.

1919 Elis Cup (Newcastle Zone)	Adamstown	Hamilton	Halmarville	Minmi	West Wallsend	Point
Adamstown	X	1,-0, 1-1	2-0, 2-1	1-1, 3-0	2-2, 0-0	12
Hamilton	0-1, 1-1	X	0-1, 3-2	3-0, 1-2	0-3, 0-1	5
Holmesville	0-2, 1-2	1-0, 2-3	X	1-1, 1-3	0-3, 1-4	3
Minmi	0-3, 1-1	0-3, 2-1	1-1, 3-1	х	1-3, 1-2	6
West Wallsend	2-2, 0-0,	3-0, 1-0	4-1, 3-0	3-1, 2-1	х	14

Representative Matches
In the inter district representative matche, Sydney 4 v
Newcastle 0 in Sydney.
Newcastle 1 v South Maitland 1 at Newcastle.
In a further Match Newcastle & South Maitland was a 1x1 draw.

1919
In an inter city match on the 23rd june newcastle defeated Sydney 2x1 the teams were

Newcastle
2 v Sydney
1
F.Jones
Blake

F. Jones Blake M.Jones Smart R. Lidbury Perkins C. Coutts Creighton R. Sneddon Leadbeater P. Coppick L. Tolhurst Keith F. Watson(1) Downer(1) T.Coates(1) Hoffman P. Doyle Heyman J. Seddon Fairweather

"Big Influenza Match.

Special mention should be made of the clash at Weston between Newcastle and South Maitland which became known as the big influenza match" All spectators wore masks and 13 changes had to be made to the original selections. The Newcastle team arrived with only nine players, so, G. Willetts of Kurri Kurri together with J. Endean of Neath were both signed onto the Newcastle team on one day transfer, (The one day transfers operated as follows. During an emergency, players would be transferred from one club to another for the day-then immediately after the match transferred back to the original club) For Newcastle, Willetts played an outstanding game and won generous applause from all quarters. The final Newcastle line up was F, Jones (Holmesville) H.Smith(Cessnock) D. Williams (Hamilton Bobby Auston(Weston) C.McKay(West Wallsend) Jack Gilmour(Weston) Jack Coutts(West Wallsend) Dick Austin(Weston) Peter Doyle(Adamstown) J.Strange(Cessnock) G. Willetts (Kurri Kurri) R.Outram(Abermain) F. Watson (Hamilton) W. Endean (Weston) F. Hayes (Adamstown) A. Russell (Cessnock) . Endean (Neath) Jim Bellamy (Weston) J. Jarvie (Hebburn) J. Jennings (Hamilton) Di McLaughlin (West Wallsend) Len Pugh (Weston)

Gardiner Cup
Entries received for the "CUP" were. Hamilton, Weston,
Adamstown, Minmi Rangers, Holmesville, West Wallsend.
Three local clubs(West Wallsend, Weston, and Minmi Rangers)
QUALIFIED FOR THE FINALS. Balmain Fernleigh, however, were
too strong for Minmi winning 3x0 after having played a 0x0
draw in their first match.
West Wallsend and Weston also played a 0x0 draw in their
first match, but in the replay, Westy cleared out to win 3x0.

In the final, Balmain over ran West Wallsend 3x0.

Round:1	Kerr Cu	p Results	
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Balmain Fernleigh		Adamstown Rosebud	2 1 4 2
Canterbury		Cessnock	1
Annandale Leichhardt YMCA		Hamilton	4
Weston		Cockatoo Island	2
		Holmesville	0
Minmi, Wallsend, West Wa	allsend	Pyrmont(Byes)	
Round.2			
Canterbury	2 v	Walleard	0
Minmi	2 v	Wallsend Weston	1
West Wallsend	2 v	Annandale Leichhardt YMCA	ō
Pyrmont	2 v	YMCA	1
Balmain Fernleigh ((Bye)		
Round.3	2	C	1
Pyrmont	and n F	Canterbury	1
west wallsend, Balm	aln re	rnleigh, Minmi(Byes)	
		THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE	
Semi Finals			
West Wallsend		Pyrmont	2
Balmain Fernleigh	1 v	Minmi	0
Final	V C.		
Newcastle	Kerr Cu		
West Wallsend		Balmain Fernleigh	1
W.McKenzie	• •	F.Storey	•
Lee		H.Fisher	
James		H.Batten	
Coutts		E.Ferrier	
R. Sneddon		R.Leadbeater	
Anderson		S.Storey	
W.Smith		Lazonby	
H.Kaiser		Adams	
T. Coates		Dr.H.K.Porter	
T.Sinclair		Hancock	
D.McLaughlin		Yabsley	
Referee	L.B. Tam	lyn	
**This match went for	120 min	utes and then was rep	layed
(Extra Time)			
Parlam on Adamatan	•		
Replay at Adamstown West Wallsend	3 "	Balmain Fernleigh	0
W.McKenzie	3 V	F.Storey	U
Lee		H.Fisher	
James		H.Batten	
Coutts		E.Ferrier	
R.Sneddon ·		R.Leadbeater	
Anderson		S.Storey	
W.Smith		Lazonby	
H. Kaiser		Adams	
T.Coates (3)		Dr.H.K.Porter	
T.Sinclair		Hancock	
D.McLauglin		Yabsley	
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South Maitland Competition Goal Scorer for teams in the South Maitland area were Jack Avis(7)Dick Austin(1)Jim Bellamy(3)H.Bellamy(3) Bill Lambert(1)Len Pug(3)W.Beverley(1)J.Mather(4)J.Jarvis(4) Jack Gilmour(1)

Rothbury Perce Lennard(12)J.Hodge(3)N.Redman(4)Perce Hodge(2)

Seperate entries continued for the South Maitland and Newcastle areas. Senior Grade entries for Newcastle were Adamstown, West Wallsend, Wallsend Rovers, Hamilton, Minmi Rangers, Holmesville.

grd Grade Wallsend Rovers, Westy Woodpeckers, Adamstown, Teralba, Wallsend Kiora's, Hamilton, Dudley.

U/18's 7 entries 5 entries U/16

In the senior competition after 9 rounds had been played the points table read

West Wallsend Bluebells 15 11 Adamstown Rosebud Hamilton 6 Minmi Rangers 5 Holmesville

Semi Final at Newcastle Showground Mamilton 3 v Adamstown

1 J. Dunne Crewe W.Jones Williams Manderson Tinker Davis Green F. Hayes(1) J. Sneddon P. Doyle , Trumperter Patterson Holt Tolhurst J. Cunningham F. Watson(2) Butcher Myers Rushton Hogg Bywater(1) Elgey Jennings Lambert

Referee Bill Stott **Please note teams not in correct order.

The result and teams of the second semi final is not available.

The Book Of Football Final Newcastle Showground West Wallsend 4 v Hamilton Wal McKenzie Crewe Tommy Coates(2) Williams Lee Manderson H. James Green J. Coutts J. Sneddon R. Sneddon Holt Anderson Tolhurst W. Smith F. Watson H.Kaiser(1) Hogg(1) T.Sinclair(1) Bywater D.McLaughlin Jennings Feferee Bill Stott 3rd Grade Points score Wallsend Rovers (16)Westy Woodpeckers(16)Adamstown(15) Teralba(14)Wallsend Kiora's(14)Hamilton(12)Dudley(11) 1 v Newcastle South Maitland Newcastle Showground 27/7/1919 Bobby Austin(Weston) Frank Jones (Holmesville) W.Lambert(Weston) Tinker Davis (Adamstown) Billy Jones(Adamstown) L. Pugh (Weston) C. Lewis (Cessnock) Holt(Hamilton) H.Hollingsworth(Weston) Dick Sneddon(West Wallsend) Dick Austin(Weston) Jack Coutts(West Wallsend) Tom Sinclair(West Wallsend) J. Bellamy (Weston) Jack Gilmour(Weston) Frank Hayes (Adamstown) Jack Avis(Abermain) Fred Watson(Hamilton) N. Endean (Weston) Peter Doyle(Adamstown)

Perce Lennard(Rothby)
Referee Laurie Tamlyn.

W. Duxfield(Hebburn)

Reserve

Sydney 4 v Newcastle 0

Epping Blake(Canterbury) F. Jones (Holmesville) Leckie(Annandale) R.Lidbury(Minmi Rangers) Robinson(Pyrmont) N.Knudson(West Wallsend) H. Wheat (Granville) Jack Coutts (West Wallsend) Leadbeater(Balmain Fern) Dick Sneddon(West Wallsend) Fairweather(Granville) Peter Coppick(Hamilton) Peter Doyle(Adamstown) Neilson(YMCA) Hoffman(Granville) Jock Sneddon(Hamilton) Tom Coates(West Wallsend) Chas"Yargo"Roy(Minmi Rangers) Doerner(Annandale) Oliphant(Caledonians) Mansfield(Canterbury Frank Hayes (Adamstown)

Trumperter Patterson(Adamstown)

Newcastle 2 v Sydney

Newcastle Showground

Frank Jones (Holmesville) Bill Jones (Adamstown)

Bob Lidbury (Minmi Rangers) Jack Coutts (West Wallsend)

Dick Sneddon(West Wallsend) Peter Coppick(Hamilton)

L. Tolhurst (Hamilton) F. Watson(1) Hamilton)

Tom Coates(1)West Wallsend)

Peter Doyle(Adamstown) Jock Sneddon (Hamilton)

Blake(Canterbury)

Perkins (Canterbury) Creighton(Cockatoo Dockyard)

Leadbeater(Balmain Fern) Fairweather(Granville)(

Miranda (Canterbury) Hoffman(Granville)

Keith (North Sydney) Doerner(Annandale)1)

Heyman (Sydney) Smart(Sydney)

ROTHBURY

When World War I ceased, a soccer club was formed at Rothbury where coal was being developed.

The club entered the All Aged Competition controlled by the S.M.S.A.

Due to travelling difficulties, the team performed moderately. It qualified for the final but was beaten by Hebburn by 4 to 1.

Chief scorers in its initial season were — P. Lennard (12), J. Hodge (4), N. Tiedman (4), J. Jarrett (4), P. Hodges (3).

Players in the final were Lewis, N. Tiedman, Hoskins, W. Lennard, E. Searson, W. Durie, J. Jarrett, Chippendale, Edmunds, P. Lennard, R. Lennard (12), W. Jarrett.

The club continued in season 1920 with moderate success. The loss of the Lennard brothers to Cessnock weakened it and it failed to appear in 1921.

In 1920, it entered the Gardiner Cup and after playing a 3 all draw with Hebburn, it failed in the replay by 2 to 1.

When coal ceased being produced at the Rothbury Colliery, interest in soccer waned considerably.

1920 Season President.J.H.Bloomfield Secretary.Laurie Tamlyn

An intensive survey by the management committee during the off season, revealed a basic weakness in the local structure which was now entering its second season since the War ended,

The following facts were noted.

 The remarkable growth in all grades below seniors; especially in 2nd grade.

 The junior growth in the South Maitland area had flowed on into the senior teams

3)A vital question to be settled at State level was could the Northern Association(Newcastle and Maitland) OFFER IMPROVED SENIOR STATUS under two separate controls?

A year later, this last point broke into open warfare between developing Coalfields senior clubs and the South Maitland Soccer Association.

The outcome of this will be discussed later.

Suffice to say at present, that when entries closed, a very disappointing aspect became clear as only one Coalfield club, Weston, had entered the senior grade. An example of the problem was that Cessnock, which had nominated for the Gardiner Cup, only entered ateam in the third grade in the South Maitland Competition.

A more detailed list of entries is:

Seniors 2nd 3rd U/18 U/16

Newcastle 5 15 9 5 4

South Maitland 4 5 5 5

The high quality of South Maitland's second grade was exemplified by a testimonial match for the former Weston player, J. Hicks, when a combined second graders beat a powerful Weston senior side 2x1 at the Weston Homestead. for the record, the second grade team was H. Smith(Hebburn) N. Tiedman(Rothbury) N. Baldwin(Neath) Reg Lennard(Rothbury) J. Strong(Kurri Kurri) S. Davidson(Kurri Kurri) S. Price(Rothbury) J. Auld(Hebburn) Perce Lennard(Rothbury, J. Curley(Kurri Kurri) C.O'Hara(Rothbury Such details support Secretary Laurie Tamlyn's claims that the Coalfields should at leas support three senior team and the Newcastle area, five teams; making an ideal Premiership competition.

LEAST

A NEW GROUND AT HAMILTON

Management secured a new inner city ground and great credit

must be given to this body.

The ground was known as the "Tramway"and was located in the Hamilton area near the tram depot. This ground became the rendezvous of hundreds of fans who attended the "Match of the Day": a weekly attendance at thr ground attracted crowds of 2000 spectators.

The first senior match, at the Tramway Ground was played late in May and because of its historical importance we list here the full line up of both teams.

Adamstown H.Smith

J. Davies Greigg Wilson

W.Lambert Pollard T.Patterson

Johns F.Hayes P.Doyle McAllister v Hamilton

Daniels Robson Williams Holt

Wood Barr Thompson F.Watson

J.Sneddon Hancock Woods

Referee Bill Stott

As the season advanced, better public relations drew bigger gates. All senior clubs would share in the expected patronage and there clubs were especially keen to secure the "match of the day". Everything pointed to a "football boom"which did eventuate in the next three years.

South Maitland Competition
In the final of South Maitland's second grade competition
Hebburndefeated Rothbury 4x1. The game was played at the
Homestead Ground, Weston.
The two teams were.

Rothbury

Lewis N:Tiedman Hoskins

R.Lennard Searson Durie

> Edwards Jarrett Chippendale

Jarrett Jowett 1 v Hebburn

Seddon J.Bates Outram Richardson

R.Bates Logan McNaughton Grant McCroarey

C.Bates Davies

Richardson CupU/21

West Wallsend Woodpeckers won the state junior U/21 Richardson Cup, beating Hamilton 3x0.



West Wallsend Woodpeckers.
Standing: Arthur James, Charlie Shields, Wally McKenzie, Clarrie Coutts, Jake Wilson.
Sitting: Henry Maunder... "Podge" Maunder.. Jock Nelson.
Courtesy Mrs. Coutts, West Wallsend.

Ellis Cup

1920 His Cup (Newcastle Zone)	Adamstown	Hamilton	Wallsend	Weston	West Walfsend	Points
Adamstown	x	1-2, 1-0	2-1, 1-0	2-3, 1-1	1-1, 1-0	10
Hamilton	0-1, 2-1	x	1-1, 0-2	0-1, 2-2	1-3, 0-1	4
Wallsend	0-1, 1-2	2-0, 1-1	х	1-1, 1-0	1-2, 1-2	6
Weston	1-1, 3-2	2-2, 1-0	0-1, 1-1	х	1-4, 0-2	7
West Wallsend	0-1, 1-1	1-0, 5-1	2-1, 2-1	2-0, 4-1	х	13

West Wallsend won the final by defeating Adamstown at the Tramway Ground Hamilton, producing the first \$200 pound "gate", along the way. Two goals by Coates secured the game for West Wallsend who ran out eventual winners 3x2. Interestingly, both were the result of penalty decisions by referee, Tom Crawford. The cup was presented to West Wallsend by Hugh Connell, MLA.

The two finalists were: West Wallsend

Jeffreys
James
Lee
Coutts
Sneddon
McKay
Smith
Kaiser

Coates Sinclair McLaughlin 3 v Adamstown

Smith
Davies
Hay
Lambert
Pollock
McAllister
Wilson
J.Cameron

Myers Patterson Doyle

Premiership

In the Premiership play off, Wallsend beat Weston 1x0 while Adamstown easily beat West Wallsend 4x0 In the final, which produced a "gate" of £258 pounds, Adamstown beat Wallsend 1x0. The teams for the final were

Adamstown
H.Smith
J.Davies
T.Patterson
Lambert
Pollock
Gregg

Doyle
W.Davies
J.Cameron
Myers
Robinson

v Wallsend Bower

See
R.Lidbury
Urwin
T.Lidbury
J.Shields
W.Craig
C"Yargo"Roy
Ern Owen
Jim Johnston
Robinson

**Please note players may not be in correct positions.

1920	Premiership	Semi Final	s	
	lsend	1 v We		0
G. Bower			Austin	
Sam See		Tom	Oliver	
Ernie C	wen	W.La	mbert	
Jack Sh	ields	120100 m050m	Austin	
Ted Mah	oney	Cr	eighton	
Albert	Morgan (Penalty		dgers	
W.Craig		F.Au	stin	
Chas"Ya	rgo"Roy	Jack	Avis	
Keith U	rwin	Jack	Gilmour	
Jimmy J	ohnstone	De	rricott	
W.Robin	son	R.H.	awke	

Semi Final					
Adamstown	4 v West Wallsend O				
A.Smith	Wal McKenzie				
J.Davies(1)	H.James				
A.Lambert	Henry Maunder				
Pollock	Clarrie Coutts				
Greigg	Dick Sneddon				
W. Davies	W.Smith				
Peter Doyle	Tommy Coates				
Trumpter Patterson(1)	Bill"Podge"Maunder				
J.Cameron(2)	Tommy Sinclair				
Middleton	Di McLaughlin				
Robinson	Les Brown				

ľ	Pre	emiership Fi	nal	
	Adamstown Rosebuc	d 1 v	Wallsend Rovers	0
	A.Smith		George Bower	
	J. Davies		Sam See	
	A.Lambert		Bob Lidbury	
	Pollock		Keith Urwin	
	Greigg		Tup Lidbury	
	P.Doyle		Jack Shields	
	W. Davies		W.Craig	
	Patterson(1)		Chas "Yargo "Roy	
	J. Cameron		Ernie Owen	
	Middleton		Jimmy Johnstone	
	Robinson		W.Robinson	

Referee A. Court

Player Register

Wallsend Rovers.

George Bower, Bob Lidbury, Albert Morgan, Wal Rushton, Sam See, E. See, Jack Shields, W. Craig, Charlie "Yargo" Roy, Ted Mahoney, Jimmy Johnstone, V. Mulholland, W. Robinson, E. Rolfe.

Hamilton

Crewe, Brown, Williams, Robson, Parsons, Woods, Wood, Barr, Gill, Anderson, Hancock, Fred Watson, Crowley, Peter Coppick, Rouse, Jones, Wyllie, Fred Daniels.

West Wallsend Bluebells,
Wal McKenzie, H. James, Lee, Clarrie Coutts, Tommy Coates,
R"Dick"Sneddon, McKay, W. Smith, Herb Kaiser, Tommy Sinclair
Di McLaughlin, Henry Maunder, William "Podge" Maunder,
Les Brown,

Adamstown Rosebud

A.Smith, J. Davies, Frank Hayes, H. Pollock, Peter Doyle,
Lambert, D. McAllister, Myers, J. Cameron, Middleton,
Trumpter Patterson, H. Johns, Charlie Nix, T. Pearse, J. Thorpe,
R. Wilson.

Weston
Bobby Austin, R"Dick"Austin, Lambert, Tommy Oliver,
Rodgers, J. Jarvie, J. Jarvis, Sid Grant, Jack Avis, Stoker,
H. Bellamy, J. Bellamy, Jack Gilmour, F. Austin

New Ground at Hamilton Transport Department.

Management secured a new inner city ground and great must be given to the NDBFA. This ground would be known as the Tramway Ground and was located in Hamilton area near the Tram Depot. This ground became the rendezvous of hundreds of fans who attended the "Match of the Day":a weekly attendance at the ground attracted crowds of 2000 and upwards.

The first senior match ,at the tramway ground was between Adamstown 2 v Hamilton 1

May 1920 A.Smith Fred Daniels J. Davies Robson Greigg Williams Wilson Holt Lambert Wood H. Pollock Barr Trumpter Patterson Thompson P.H.Johns(1) F. Watson F. Hayes J. Sneddon P. Doyle(1) Hancock(1) D.McAllister Woods

** Would you please note that Adamstown Rosebud Club donated £105 Pounds towards the erection of the Soldiers War Memorial Fund.

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Kerr Cup
  West, Wallsend added to their Ellis Cup victory by also
  winning the Kerr Cup, beating Adamstown 2x0 in the semi
  final, while Wallsend ousted Weston 3x0. In the final,
  Westy took out the trophy 1x0. Les Brown being the scorer.
  This was the first time that substitutes were allowed for
  injured players.
  Full details of Kerr Cup is as follows.
  Round.1
      West Wallsend
                      2 v Eastern Suburbs
     Wallsend 1 v Canterbury
Adamstown 6 v Corrimal
     West Wallsend(Res) 3 v Balgownie
     Hamilton won on forfeit from Helensburg
     Killingsworth, Annandale, Weston (Byes)
 Round. 2
     Adamstown
                  3 v West Wallsend 3
                0 v West Wallsend
2 v West Wallsend
 Replay
     Adamstown
     Wallsend
                       2 v West Wallsend(Res) O
     Hamilton
                        4 v Killingsworth
     Weston, Annandale (Byes)
 Round.3
    West Wallsend 4 v Annandale
                                                1
    Weston(Bye)
Semi finals
                     3 v Weston
    Wallsend Rovers
    George Bower
                                     Cockburn
       Lee
                                      Endean
    Bob Lidbury
                                  T.Oliver
    Jack Shields
                                     Rodgers
    Ted Mahoney
                                   S. Grant
    Ernie Owen
                                     Taylor
    D.Bower(1)
C"Yargo"Roy
                                   Jack Avis
                                   R. Hawke
    W.Craig(2)
                                   J. Bellamy
      Gardiner
                                   W.Lambert
    W. Robinson
                                     Creighton
               Referee Laurie Tamlyn
Semi Final
   Hamilton
                                O v West Wallsend
   Fred Daniels
                                    Wal McKenzie
       Robson
                                       Jones
       Williams
                                    Henry Maunder
      Holt
                                    Clarrie Coutts
      Wood
                                    Dick Sneddon
      Barr
                                    W. Smith
      Thompson
                                   Tommy Coates
   Fred Watson
                                   Les Brown(1)
       Sneddon
                                   Bill "Podge "Maunder (2)
       Hancock
                                   Tommy Sinclair
     J. Woods
                                   Di McLaughlin
                Referee Laurie Tamlyn
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KERR CUP FINAL

West Wallsend Bluebells 1 v Wallsend Rovers 0 Wal McKenzie George Bower H. James Sam See Henry Maunder Bob Lidbury W. Smith Jack Shields Clarrie Coutts E.See Lee Ernie Owen Tommy Coates D. Bower Les Brown(1) Chas "Yargo" Roy Dick Sneddon W. Craig Tommy Sinclair Ted Mahoney Di McLaughlin W. Robinson

Referee Bill Stott

Cup presented to Dick Sneddon Westy Captain, by Mr J.L.Fegan(MLA)

**Please note players are not in correct playing positions.

South Maitland Final

South Maitland Final	
4 v Rothbury	0
. Lewis	
N. Tiedman	
Hoskins	
R.Lennard	
Searston	
Durie	
Edwards	
Jarrett	
Chippendale	
J.Jowett(1)	
E.Jowett	
	. Lewis N.Tiedman Hoskins R.Lennard Searston Durie Edwards Jarrett Chippendale J.Jowett(1)

West Wallsend

Final Kerr Cup 1 v Wallsend

0



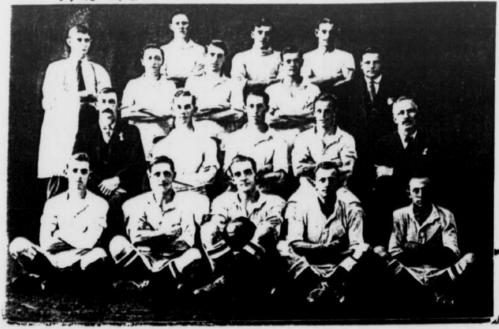
W Lee, W McKenzie, H James J McLure, C Coutts, Dick Sneddon, W Smith, A McKay, Alec Hodge Tom Coates, Les Brown, W "Podge" Maunder, Tom Sinclair, Di McLaughlan

Representative Matches The only representative match this year was between Newcastle v HMS Renown. The selected Newcastle players were Bobby Austin (Weston) Bill Lambert (Weston) Peter Coppock(Hamilton) Bob Lidbury (Wallsend) R. Pollock (Adamstown) Tommy Coates(West Wallsend) Fred Watson (Hamilton) Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend) Ernie Owen(Wallsend) Tommy Sinclair (West Wallsend) S. Robinson (Wallsend) Seddon(Weston) D.McLaughlin(West Wallsend) Newcastle won this match 4x1.

During this season NSW played two matches in Queensland, winning the first 5x0 and drawing the second 2x25 v Queensland New South Wales R. Austin (Weston) W. Lambert (Weston) G. Dane) Granville) R. Pollock (Adamstown) A. Creighton (Cockstoo Docks) H. Wheat (Granville) T. Coates (West Wallsend) F. Watson(Hamilton)(1) A.Doerner(Eastern Subs)(3) T.Hancock(Balmain Fernleigh) Charlie "Yargo" Roy (Wallsend) E. Hayman (Balgownie) (1) Judy Masters(Balgownie) W. Burrows (Eastern Subs)

New South Wales 2 v Queensland
R.Austin(Weston)
W.Lambert(Weston)
S.Robinson(Pyrmont)
E.Loveridge(Annandale Leich)
Peter Coppock(Hamilton)
H.Wheat(Granville)
A.Fisher(Balmain Fernleigh)
C.Pront(Canterbury)
Judy Masters(1)Balgownie)
F.Hancock(1)Balmain Fernleigh)
Frank Mellier-Smith(Willoughby St Stephens)

1910 NSW TEAM



Back Row: H Masters, Bob Austin, Bob Lidbury

3rd Row: Ted Mahoney (Trn), W Burrows, R W Lambert (Capt), G Dane,

Lukeman (Mgr)

2nd Row: A Colguholan, R Pollock, A Creighton, H Wheat (V-Capt), F Barlow

Front Row: Tom Coates, F Watson, A Doerner, F Hancock, E Heyman

General Information
Entries for this years Gardiner Cup included
Cessnock, Adamstown, Hamilton, Weston, Wallsend Rovers.
West Wallsend, Hebburn, Rothbury,
Weston and Cessnock had the best records with Weston losing
its semi final tie to Balmain Fernleigh 2x1. after playing
a 2x2 earlier. In the the end it was an all Sydney Final
with Balmain Fernleigh defeating Granville

Senior entries

Adamstown Rosebud, Hamilton, Wallsend Rovers Weston, West Wallsend Bluebells.

2nd Grade Entries Adamstown, Cardiff, Catherine Hill Bay, Charlestown, Dudley Hamilton, Holmesville, Lambton, Wallsend Kiora's Minmi, Summerhill, Teralba, Westy Woodpeckers, Young Wallsend

Newcastle Registered Referee's J.Sanderson, J. Dunne, J. Hincks, J. Dellaway, J. Dean, W. Shipp, R. Skillings, R. Gill, McAllister, J. Rizzolli, S. Smith, L. Tamlyn, N. Broadbent, B. Channel, H. Pratten South Maitland Registered Referee's Tommy Crawford, Endean, J. Sneddon, McBlane, N. Shaw, J. Earp. Messenger, W. Tweedle.

3rd Grade South Maitland Clubs Aberdare, Bellbird, Cessnock, East Greta, Kurri Kurri

2nd Grade South Maitland Clubs Hebburn, Kurri Kurri, Neath, Rothbury

U/18 Aberdare, Abermain, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Hebburn

U/16 East Greta, Hebburn, Kurri Kurri, Cessnock, Stanford Methyr

U/14 Abermain, Cessnock, Greta, Kurri 'Kurri, Neath, Weston.

Catholic Convent School in Newcastle. Wallsend, Merewether, Hamilton, Hamilton Marist Bros. Stockton, Broadmeadow, Tighes Hill, Adamstown.

STANFORD METHYR

A problem arose in the Kurri area where there were many juniors crying out for competitive soccer. The Kurri club could not finance all these demands.

Hence a strong junior club sprang up at the end of 1920 in nearby Stanford Merthyr. In 1922, teams were entered in the S.M. Association — in 3rd Grade, Under-18 Years, Under-16 Years and Under-14 Years.

A high standard of play was achieved and two teams won final honours.

One of the outstanding players was State Junior representative, Len Jacobs, a gifted defender. However, he decided to concentrate on his musical talent and gave up soccer. He became one of the Coalfields' most gifted jazz pianists.

Do the old really live in the past
The old ,it is said "live in the past". This maybe true
but many of the men who have lived through many football
seasons look forward to another season, so as to renew
acquaintances with friends made over many years. For it is
one of the joys of life that "old timers" meet to relive
the "good old days".

One can just imagine some of these chaps saying, "the game is not played as well today as it was in my time". The younger men, of course, will not agree with these remarks and will quote authorities to substantiate their claims that the standard of football is higher today than of yesterday.

Lets all remember, though, that sport is meant to be enjoyed. It is well worth everyone understanding how fruitless it is to compare the stars of yesterday or, for that matter, forget there were outstanding personalities before the present generation.

But when you hear "big mouth"commentators on radio and T,V.TELLING YOU THAT "SO AND SO" is "the greatest footballer produced in this city" or "this country", then you have to take umbrage.

Especially when these "experts"have never played the game or even followed football before, except for "that thugs game" which they would have us believe is "football". These "experts" would be only 25 to 30 years of age, too! ONE very much doubts that they would even know it was Sunday except that they have read "Ginger Meggs" in the comic section of their paper that day. These people do not want us in any shape or form, However we shouldn't worry as we will surely win out in the end, simply because we play the WORLD GAME.

Newcastle and the Hunter Valley, we have produced many of Australia's greats. Players like Peter Doyle, Alec Cameron, Perce Lennard, Ernie Owen, "Podge" Maunder Henry Maunder, Kevin O'Neill, Jimmy Osborne, Reg Date, Frank Parsons, Alan Johns, Jock Parkes, John Roberts, Jack"Digger"Evans, Jim"Skeeta"Wilkinson, Jimmy McNabb, Bill and Frank Coolahan The Hughes Brothers Jack and Ron Ron Giles, Bruce Morrow, Billy Morgan and on and on they go, Yes I am also reminded of Marshall Soper, Ray Lloyd, Ray Barrtz, Colin Curran, Graham Jennings,, Even Craig Johnston was not too bad, either. You only have to look at the annual North v South matches and you will find 22 players of which 16,17 or even 18 of these players will have come from the north. Even the Referee. came from the Hunter Valley? The same thing happened in the State and Australian teams "PERHAPS WE THE OLD DO LIVE IN THE PAST".

OH Brother Oh Brother, Oh Brothers. First and foremost in this remarkable cavalcade is the record of the HODGES BROTHERS from whitburn, near the once famous mining township of Greta on the New England Highway. In the 1917-1920 seasons, the Whitburn Stars(a powerful senior team) CONTAINED NINE BROTHERS, a nephew and one lone outsider. The robust tackling and "do or die" deeds of this combination is still talked about on the northern coalfields where football roots are deep in the soil. When this team appeared, extra police wandered to the ground, for the team's motto was "whoever floors a Hodge, floors "me".

Eight of the clan were over 5ft 10 inches tall, the two were only 5ft 9 inches.

All were excellent specimens of manhood, It was said that they were as fast as "Greyhounds"as their work at the coalface pulled every ounce of fat from their raw bones.

The team in its heyday read

Bill Lennard(Goalkeeper-the"outsider")

Perce Hodge, Alec Hodge(Backs) George "Doodle"Hodge, Garnet Hodge, Jack Hodge(Half Backs)

Alf"Sonny"Hodge, Fred Hodge, Henry Hodge, Artie Hodge, (Forwards) later, when Fred Hodge retired, the vacancy was filled by Alfie's son(Alf) AND Jack Hodge Jnr, The team made its last appearance when it won the

"six a side" competition at Adamstown in 1920.



WALLSEND
Sometime in 1920-1927
6th in Back Row MR. TODD

1st in Middle Row BOB LIDBURY
1st Seated in Front Row Eck HARDES,
3td ERN OWEN, Ath STEVE TREDINNICK

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This Sometime in the 1920-1927

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Nob in Back Row is the Jodd

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1st in Middle Row Bob Lidberg

1st sealed is tock Standes

3Rd Ban Owen, 4th Stave Tredinnich

1921 Season

President.J.H.Bloomfield

Secretary. W. Roberts & Laurie Tamlyn. (Mr Roberts died in (Office)

Committee.A.A.Stirling, Bill Stott, J. Hughes, J. Howard, Mr Pickersgill.

Season 1921 saw further movement along the road to progress. There were record first grade entries(nine in all), including three from the coalfields. The return of Cessnock and Kurri Kurri reflected an upsurge in interest from that area.

Newcastle replaced the old Merewether Club, while the openibg of new works at Mayfield saw a group of migrants form the Lysaghts Club with the trio of Oaten brothers coming to the fore.

Kurri Kurri, led by George Winship had a group of local boy's in Willetts, Ashcroft, Rodgers, Rees, Wells, Field, price, Pringle, Bower, Tiedman, and Watson.

Cessnock also promoted many young players in G.Williams, E.Williams, Shipton, Perce Lennard, Reg Lennard, Durie, Brown, Roe, Harden with such players as G"Tup "Rennix, Strange Carmichael Muir adding the experience. West Wallsend retained many of it's many stars but newcomers included Bill "Podgr"Maunder, his brother Henry Maunder, along with Clarrie Coutts, Wagga James, Bunny Muir, Les Brown, A, White, and Dutchy Phillips.

Adamstown retained its big array of stars as well, but players like Bush and Stewart brothers were soon making their own names alongside their more experienced colleagues.

1921 Bis Cup	Adametews	Cessnock	Kurri Kurri	Lysughts	Newcasite	Wallsend Royals	Wallsend Rovers	Waston	West Wallsend	Poin
Adamstown	×	0-2, 0-1	3-1, 4-1	8-2, 2-0	1-0, 2-0	2-2, 0-1	1-0, W/F	0-3, 3-1	0-2, 2-2	20
Cessnock	2-0, 1-0	х	2-1, 0-0	5-2, 4-1	2-0, 2-1	2-1, 1-4	1-2, 3-0	2-3, 1-1	0-2, 1-1	21
Kurri Kurri	1-3, 1-4	1-2, 0-0	×	2-0, 5-1	3-3, 5-3	0-2, 2-2	0-3, W/F	2-2, 0-0	1-1, 1-2	14
Lysaghts	2-8, 0-2	2-5, 1-4	0-2, 1-5	х	2-2, 6-1	2-6, 1-3	1-5, 0-2	0-4, 1-7	1-3, 1-8	3
Newcastle	0-1, 0-2	0-2, 1-2	3-3, 3-5	2-2, 1-6	x	0-3, 1-3	2-2, 1-3	1-2, 1-3	1-3, 0-4	3
Wallsend Royals	2-2, 1-0	1-2, 4-1	2-0, 2-2	6-2, 3-1	3-0, 3-1	, x	2-0, 3-1	3-1, 0-0	0-0, 0-3	24
Wallsend Rovers	0-1, L/F	2-1, 0-3	3-0, L/F	5-1, 2-0	2-2, 3-1	0-2, 1-3	х	1-1, L/F	0-4, 2-5	12
Weston	3-0, 1-3	1-1, 3-2	2-2, 0-0	4-0, 7-1	2-1, 3-1	1-3, 0-0	1-1, W/F	X	2-1, 0-0	22
West Wallsend	2-0, 2-2	2-0, 1-1	1-1, 2-1	3-1, 8-1	3-1, 4-0	3-0, 0-0	4-0, 5-2	1-2, 0-0	x	25

opening

Podge

The dual entry from Wallsend Rovers ,& Wallsend Royals, caused local rivalry. However, in the semi finals, West Wallsend outplayed Wallsend Royals 2x1 and Cessnock defeated Weston 3x1 The final was played at the Tramway Ground, Hamilton and the "gate" takings amounted to £258 pounds. West Wallsend defeated Cessnock 2x0 the teams were

West Wallsend Bluebells 2 v Cessnock W. Sneddon J. Coutts G. Williams H. "Butcher" James Carmichael Henry Maunder Durie Bill Smith Rennix R"Dick"Sneddon R. Lennard Clarrie Coutts W. Brown Tommy Coates William "Podge" Maunder H"Bunny "Muir Tommy Sinclair Strange P.Lennard E. Williams Roe. Di McLaughlin

Kerr Cup

Cessnock fielding the same team in the final of the Kerr Cup found itself the "bridemaid", losing the final, this time to Wallsend Royals. the score being 2x0

The teams were
Wallsend Royals
Bower
Sam See
Bob Lidbury
Ernie Owen
Jack Shields
Charlie "Yargo Roy
D.Rees.

E.See, Wells W.Craig Jimmy Johnstone 2 v Cessnock
W.Sneddon
G.Williams
Carmichael
Durie
Rennix
Reg Lennard
Bill Brown
Strange
Perce Lennard
E.Williams

0

R. Harden

Roe R.Harden

Gardiner Cup
West Wallsend won the the "CUP"THIS Year after a hard fought
match with Granville at the Sydney Cricket Ground on the

3 v Granville /

6th October 1921 The Teams were;
West Wallsend 3 v Gr
Jack Coutts
Henry Maunder
H"Butcher"James
Clarrie Coutts
R"Dick"Sneddon
Bill Smith
Tommy Coates
A.Phillips(1)
William"Podge"Maunder(1)
Tommy Sinclair(1)
Di McLaughlin

G.Dane
F.Doherty
R.Leadbeater
J.Crombie
Harry Spurway
W.Dane
H.Winter
J.Picken(1)
H.Henson
H.Heyman

E. Aitchson

Referee A.W. Wright

Queensland Visit NSW played two matches in Sydney against a visiting Queensland side, In the first, match Queensland won 2x0. The NSW side being. Bobby Austin(Weston)A.Fisher(Balmain Fenleigh)F.Leece(Newcas F.Leece(Newcastle)E.Loveridge(Pyrmont)H.Cunningham(Cockatoo Dockyards)Peter Doyle(Adamstown)E.Jarrett(Woonona) A.Wyber(Canterbury)Dr H.K.Porter(Balmain Fernleigh) Titch Thompson(Balgownie)Les Brown(Cessnock) With a rather different NSW lineup for the return match it was a 1x1 draw. The NSW TEAM was L.Coley(Canterbury) A. Fisher(Balmain Fernleigh) S.Anderson(Pyrmont)E.Ferrier(Capt)Balmain Fernleigh) W.McAllister(Annandale Leichhardt)E.Loveridge(Pyrmont) W.Dane(Granville)Watts(Woonona)Judy Masters(1)Balgownie) F. Hancock (Balmain Fernleigh) Frank Mellier Smith (Willoughby St Stephens) Referee J.H.Lester. Two return matches were later played in Queensland, and the NSW players were. Bobby Austin(Weston)S.Anderson(Pyrmont)Bill Lambert(Weston) Cob Jones(Corrimal)Keith Urwin(Wallsend Rovers) J.Maitland(Pyrmont)W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend) Tommy Sinclair(West Wallsend)G.Dane(Granville) R. Johnson (Balgownie) H. Spurway (Granville) F. Yabsley (Balmain Fernleigh) P. Heard (Sydney) E.Loveridge(Pyrmont) On the local scene when Queensland visited NSW, they met a Newcastle Team beating the Queenslanders 2x0 The Newcastle team being Bobby Austin(Weston)Bob Lidbury(Wallsend Royals) F.Leece(Newcastle)J.Martin(Newcastle)W.Wells(Kurri Kurri) Peter Doyle(Adamstown)Tommy Sinclair(West Wallsend) Perce Lennard (Cessnock) Rags Urwin (Wallsend Rovers) Keith Urwin(Wallsend Rovers) Dutchy Phillips(West Wallsend) W. Thomas(Lysaghts-Mayfield)Bill Brown(Cessnock) Senior Grade Semi Finals 2 v Wallsend Royals G.Bower West Wallsend J. Coutts S. See H. James R. Lidbury H. Maunder E. Owen C.Coutts(1) J. Shields R. Sneddon C. Roy W. Smith Wells T.Coates(1) J. Johnstone W. Maunder Auld(1) H. Muir W. Craig T. Sinclair D. Rees D.McLaughlin Referee W.Stott

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Semi Final
  Weston
                   1 v Cessnock
                                                   3
  Bob Austin
                                 G. Williams
      Penman
                                 A. Carmichael
      Barker
                                R.Lennard
 R. Austin
                                 G.Rennix
 W.Lambert(1)
                                 T. Durie
   Derricott
                                 G. Roe
   Bates
                                 E.Williams(1)
   McCroarey
                                 P.Lennard(1)
   T.Oliver
                                 L.Brown(1)
 J. Avis
                                 J.Strange
   Mathers
                                 W. Sneddon
                  Referee Tom Crawford
     Senior Final at Tramway Ground 5/11/1921
 West Wallsend
                            2 v Cessnock
                                                     0
 Jack Coutts
                                 G. Williams
 Henry Maunder
                                 W. Sneddon
 H. James
                                 A. Carmichael
 W. Smith
                                 T. Durie.
 Dick Sneddon
                                 G. Rennix
 Clarrie Coutts(1)
                                Reg Lennard
Tommy Coates
                                Les Brown
H.Muir
                                G.Roe
Podge Maunder
                                J.Strange
 Tommy Sinclair(1)
                                Perce Lennard
Di McLaughlin
                                E. Williams
                  Referee J. Sanderson
                 Lower Grade Results
2nd Grade Final
Minmi
                             1 v West Wallsend
   McLeish
                                    E. Coates
   Newton
                                    E.Lewis
   Pugh
                                    J.Nelson
   Woods
                                      Shields
   Nay
                                      Coutts
 V.Mulholland
                                      Drysdale
 W.Mulholland
                                      Boundy
   Cramp(1)
                                      Brown
   Auld
                                      Brennan
   Hancock
                                      Jones
   Hodge
                                      Convery
                Referee Laurie Tamlyn
3rd Grade Final.Adamstown 1 v Hamilton
               Adamstown 1 v Hamilton
    Replay
                                            0
4th Grade Final Wallsend 1 v West Wallsend 0
U/18 Final
               Wallsend 2 v Adamstown Wallsend 1 v Adamstown
                                              2
Replay
                                              0
U/16 Grade
             Wallsend 2 v Summerhill
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1921 Player Register

Adamstown

A. Smith, J. Davies, Myers, J. Doyle, A. Lambert, J. Pollard, W. Davies, H. Johns, D. McAllister, T. Patterson, A. Wilson P. Doyle, E. Williams, L. Wilson

Cessnock

G.Wells, G.Carmicheal, G.Williams, A.Durie, J.Strange, R.Williams, E.Williams, Perce Lennard, Reg Lennard, A.Shipton, G.Rae, Les Brown, Bill Brown J.SneddonL.Muir, G.Rennix

Kurri Kurri

W. Brown, L. Elton, G. Willettes, J. Stevenson, W. Ashcroft, S, Wells, A. Rees, J. Pringle, R. Bower, S. Field, K. Rodgers, B. Watson, N. Tiedman, R. J. Bower, G. Winship. S. Oliver, W. Watson, A. Campbell

Lysaghts(Mayfield)
G.Oaten, F.Oaten, A.A.Oaten, Norris, T.Morgan, J.Middleton,
D.Williams, J.Huie, W.Thomas, A.Newbury, D.Wendt, G.Farmer

Newcastle Jones, F. Leece, M. Robson, McKay, J. Martin, J. Borthwick, J. Manderson, J. E. Borthwick, A. Frew, J. Sneddon, E. Gill

Wallsend Royals
George Bower, A. See, S. See, Bob Lidbury, Ernie Owen,
Jack Shields, C"Yargo"Roy, Wells, Jimmy Johnstone, Auld
W. Craig, D. Rees A. Shaw, Jack Mahoney, A. Morris, Le Clerg,
Wal Rushton, Ted Mahoney

Wallsend Rovers
Merv Sternbeck, Rags Urwin, Keith Urwin, Jack"Dingy"O'Brien
A. Donkin, R. Scott, Jock Parkes, T. Paterson, Bungi Gibson,
W. Walker, A. Fahey, J. Patterson, R. Hughes.

Weston
Bobby Austin, R"Dick"Austin, F. Austin, J. Penman, Tom Oliver,
Adams, Bill Lambert, Jack Gilmour, J. Mather, Jack Avis,
Harry Bellamy, Jim Bellamy, F. Pockett, Jock Cockburn
J. Logan, J. Drinkwater, J. Bates Barker Derricott, McCroarey,

T.Moyle, Pickford, D.McLeish, W.Nay, S.Woods, L.Pugh, J.Auld, V.Mulholland, W.Mulholland, R.Hancock, C.Newton, J.Cramp. Woods, Hodge.

West Wallsend
Wal McKenzie, W. Lee, H. James, W. Smith, Dick Sneddon,
Jack Coutts, Frank Hayes, Clarrie James, A"Dutchy"Phillips,
Tommy Sinclair, Di McLaughlin, Henry Maunder H. Kaiser
William"Podge"Maunder, Tommy Coates H. Muir,

1921 Commonwealth Football Association It was not until 1914 that an attempt was made to form the Australian Football Association.

The idea was shelved, though owing to the Great War of 1914-18 through the efforts of Mr.Ern Lukeman, however, together with the encouragement of the President of the NSW Association, a national group held a meeting at the Caledonia Club in Melbourne, on 16th August 1921, and established the Commonwealth Football Association (Later to be incorpated as the Australian Football Association on 12 th October, 1923)

The first officials were

President. H. L. Doherty (Victoria)

Secretary-Treasurer Ern Lukeman(NSW)

It was agreed that the Football Association of Australia would exercise complete control over all international and interstate tours in future.

The delegates at the conference were F.W.Barlow President NSW Association)E.G.Crawford President Victoria Association)W.Bellis(Secretary South Australian South Australian)J.S.Hildreth(Secretary Queenslan Association)J.H.Storr President Tasmanian Association) and Ern Lukeman represented West Australia.and also was the convenor of this conference. The visitors were later entertained by the Melbourne Sports Union Club.

At the conference, approval was given for NSW and Queensland to send a combined team to New Zealand in 1922. Victoria and South Australia suggested that the team be approved as an Australian representative team. It was also agreed that England be asked to send a first class team to Australia in 1923 or 1924.

Newcastle
Bobby Austin
G.Williams
Henry Maunder
R.Henderson
J.Sneddon
Peter Doyle
Tommy Coates
Perce Lennard
W"Podge"Maunder(2)
E.See

Di McLaughlin(1)

3 v Sydney Metropolitan 1
G.Cartwright
A.Fisher
D.Robinson
E.Loveridge
H.Spurway
W.Dane
A.Phillips
Alf Jennings(1)
F.Hancock

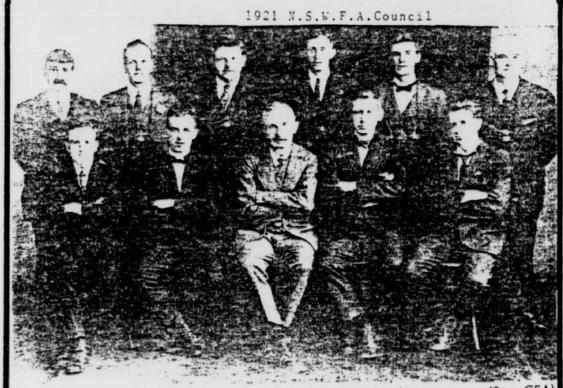
R.Osborne

G.Storey Referee A.L.Peaty



The team that wos the State title — Gardiner Cup — in 1921. — Back row: Archibald Lachiaa, Harry ("Butcher") James, Jack Coutts, Henry Maunders, Alec Hodges, Centre: Jimmy McClure, Clarrie Coutts, Dick Snedden (Captain), William Smith, Dr Charles Renwick (who donated the tasselled caps). Front: Tommy Coates, Frank Hayes, William ("Podge") Maunders, Tommy Sinclair, David ("Dai") McLauchlan.

Back Row: Unknown, Jack Coutts, Henry Maunder, H. James, Unknown Middle Row: Unknown, Clarrie Coutts, R. Dick Sneddon, Bill Smith, Unknown Front Row: Tommy Coates, A. Phillips. Bill Maunder, Tommy Sinclair, D. McLaughlan



Back Row: J W Earp (Pres, SMBFA), J Black (Sec, Refs Assn)E. Lukeman (Sec, CFA), S E Cope (Sec, IDSA), W Knight (Sec, Granville DFA), F West (MJFA)

Front Row: L Tamlyn (Sec, NDBFA), S Storey (Sec, NSWSFA), F Barlow (Pres, NSWSFA), C P Dixon (Treas, NSWSFA), GK Martin (Sec, MetSFA)

1921 Wallsend Royals



Back Row.(Unknown)Unknown)M.Stermbeck(V.C)W.McCormack,
J.Collins.
Front Row.Unknown)J.Shields,R.Proudlock,Joe Wardle(Cpt)

F.Garaty. Lying. Unknown.

1920-21 Hamilton 3rd Grade



Back Row. J. Parsons (V.P) J. Dempster (V.P) W. Sibley, W. Westhead.

J.C. Magin, C. Morrison, P. Sheppard (Sec) R. Donald (Pres)

Centre Back: W. Tolhurst (Goals)

Sitting. D.Wylie, E.Burns, J. Parsons (Cpt) C. Wolley, B. Powell, Front. K. Kellett, W. Sheppard (Mascot) C. Davis.

. Wallsend Kerr Cup Winners 1921
Back Row.H.E.Bennett(President)Maffa Pettigrew,
S.Croudace(Patron)Fred Scott, J. Horne, G. Welsh.
Middle Row.Sam See, W. J. Craig, J. Shields, Bob Lidbury(Capt)
R. Morris, Dan Rees, E. H. See.
Front Row.Ernie Owen, Jimmy Johnstone, G. Bower





Both Photo's are Wallsend. Names for bottom Photo are not available except Front Row.
Left. Ernie Owen. Jimmy Johnstone (Unknown) Unknown.
Bob Lidbury



Back Row.T.Crawford(Referee)R.Lidbury,Bob Austin,D.Leece, C.Pickersgill(Trn)L.B.Tamlyn(Sec) 2nd Row.W.Wells,J.Martin(Cpt)P.Lennard,P.Doyle,Rags Urwin, Front Row.K.Urwin,D.Phillips,W.Thomas,T.Sinclair,W.Brown. Mascot(Unknown) Newcastle 2 v Queensland O.



This is the NSW Team to tour Queensland in 1921 for team names see page No.



Standing.R.Leckie, R.Harden, R.Craig, J.Carmichael, C.Roy, A.Sneddon, A.Muir, G.Williams, G.Thompson, R.Kerslake.

R. Kerslake.

Kneeling. Wedge Durie, George Rennix, R. Lennard.

Sitting. E. Williams, Perce Lennard, J. Strange, L. Brown.

G. Roe.

Northern District BRITISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION (SOCCER)

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR 1921.

PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERS

AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING

RELD AT THE

TRADES HALL, NEWCASTLE,

ON

SATURDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1922.

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N.D.B.F.A. Annual Report.

Gentlemen -

It is with great pleasure we preface our 1921 Annual Report with the statement that the season was again a record one. The game con-tinued to advance in public favour, and the number of teams playing Soccer far exceeded those of any other code, its popularity being evidenced in the fact that the number of entries increased by over twenty during the season.

COMPETITIONS.

The district system was again adhered to, and met with satisfaction. In the Senior Grade nine teams entered—Lysaght's United, Newcastic City, Adamstown, Walisend, Walisend Rovers, West Walisend, Weston, Kurri Kurri, and Cessnock.

Lysaght's a new team, practically consisting of new arrivals to our State; Kurri Kurri was a new Senior, team, from South Maitinud; Newcastic City, who during the war had become defunct, wassresuediated; Walisend Rovers were the ex-Second Graders, whilst the other teams were all in existence during previous seasons.

The Eilis Cup premierably was won by "West Walisend, who also succeeded in winning the trophies, defeating, Walisend in the final. The Second Grade Competition attracted six teams—Hamilton, Minmi, Holmeaville, West Walisend, Killingworth, and Lysaght's. Minmi won the Middleton Cup Premierable, and then defeated west Vallsend in the final, and so secured the Association Trophies.

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fiamilion, after a draw, one goal each, and so won the trophies.

After a lapse of six years the Fourth Grade Competition was reopened. Eleven teams entered. Wallsend Itia Ora won the Scott's

Cup, and in the trophy final defeated West Wallsend.

The "B" Grade (under 15), for which ten teams entered. Wallsend Rovers, with an unbeaten record, won the Mick Simmons' Cup.
and in the linal knock-out defeated Adamstown, after a draw, two
goals each.

goals each.

The "C" (under 16) Grade drew ten teams. West Wallsend were unbeaten, and so won the Howard Cup. They also won the Association trophics, defeating Summer Hill in the final.

The School Soccer Competition was again run by the Schools Committee. Mr. W. M'Gown was again hon, secretary. A record number of school teams were playing Soccer, and exceeded all other codes played. Three grades were run:—The under 12 was won by West Wallsend, who defeated Plattsburg in the final. The under 14 was won by Plattsburg, who defeated South Newcastle in the final. The winners created a record in that they did not have a goal scored against them in the rounds proper or in the final. The under 15 was won by High School, who defeated Hamilton in the final.

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School inter-district games were played with Sydney. The locals were beaten by their Sydney friends, Newcastle winning one game, losing three, and drawing one.

The Queensiand Schoolboys played in Newcastle, the Newcastle learn winning by two goals to one. As is only right, every assistance was given the schools by the N.D.B.F.A., and in this connection it is interesting to read the following, penned by the Schools Soccer Secretary:

"PARENT ASSOCIATION'S HELP. the schools was the wonderful and spontaneous assistance rendered by the schools was the wonderful and spontaneous assistance rendered by the school body, the N.D.B.F. Association, whose secretary was niways at our disposal. Besides entertaining the Queensland and Sydney visitors for us, they supplied suitable material and first-class referees. They have donated medals to the winners of the three -The most pleasing feature in

Shipp treasurer. They require a larger membership to help them in their work, and old players might, with advantage, take up this very necessary branch of Soccer.

NEW SOUTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

It is pleasant to record that the State Association is in a splendid position. The new system which allows of equal representation has been instrumental in placing the State Association on a firm footing. All old debts have been paid, and a credit balance carried forward. The work of the State Executive, Messrs. Barlow president, S. Storey secretary, and C...P. Dixon treasurer, is worthy of the highest commendation. With the prosperity of the State Association, all branches appear to have made correspondingly great advancement. It is worthy of record that a country representative in your president, Mr. J. H. Bloomfield, was placed upon the State P. and D. Committee.

ENGLISH VISITORS.

A conference of State Associations was held in Melbourne in January. Tasmania, Victoria, South Australia, West Australia, Queensiand, and New South Wales were represented. As the result of the gathering it is confidently expected that our oft-repeated wish for the visit of an English team will soon be fulfilled. The team will probably tour Australia during 1923. Your secretary, represented the State at the Melbourne Conference.

FINANCE.

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The receipts for the season are £1350 7s 2d, and the expenditure £1154 is 11d, leaving a credit balance of £196 2s 3d. When it is mentioned that the first purchase money of the Young Wallsend Ground has been paid out of the season's takings, and that fencings, etc., of the Tramway Ground, are the property of the Association, it will readily be seen that in addition to the £196 cash balance, the

Association has also very valuable assets.

In the expenditure £ 101 6s 10d was paid for taxes. Medals cost £300, including £135 of 1020 season. A sum of £178 17s was paid to the State Association. £100 went in advertising, socials cost £70 15s 6d. These items, whilst large, are necessary in the interests of the same.

the game.

. MANAGEMENT.

The immediate control of the Association was vested in a Management Committee, which met weekly. Thirty-four meetings were held, the attendance being as follows:—R. J. Skillings, hon treasurer. 34; L. B. Tamlyn, hon. secretary, 33; J. H. Bloomfield, president, 31; S. Howard, 29; J. Durie, 29; A. A. Stirling, 28; W. Stott. 19; J. Hughes, 16; W. Roberts, 4. ...

Early in the season Mr. W. W. Roberts, who had been elected secretary, was, through ill-health, compelled to resign, Mr. Tamlyn being re-elected to the position.

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CHARITY. Letters of thanks have been received from Wallsend Hospital, the Motor Ambulance Brigade, the H. and B. Committee, and the United. Charities, for assistance rendered them.

THANKS.

The thanks of the Association are due to the press for its valuable assistance, and to all who aided the committee in the discharge of its duties. Players, club secretaries, and committees are deserving of special thanks for the way they assisted in the advancement of the

CONCLUSION.

With the great advance Soccer has made during the past season.

the code's supporters can look forward to the future with great heart. The advance made in the past will continue if the players and heart. officials combine in the future, as in the past, and by that combina-tion the Soccer game will be placed higher still in public favour.

J. H. BLOOMFIELD, President, L. B. TAMLYN, Hon. Secretary.

KEARSLEY

It is difficult to pinpoint the start of soccer in Kearsley — a mining centre on the outskirts of Aberdare.

The game was first played in the local school in 1923-24. A junior team was formed and entered the S.M.S.A. competitions in 1923.

Progress was made and in the following season of 1924, Kearsley entered the S.M. senior grade along with Abermain, Kurri Reserves, Weston Reserves, Neath and Hebburn. It was a very healthy competition and Kearsley won the premiership. Two of its players, goalie F. Jones and fullback T. Hill. won places in the district representative team to meet and beat Queensland by 2 to 1 at Abermain.

During that vital season, Kearsley's regular team comprised Jones, Hill. McBlane, Patrick, Aikman, Single, J. Wilkinson, Charlton, G. Wilkinson, S. Jones, C. Gregory.

In the final of the Stevenson Cup. Kearslev beat Neath by 3 to 1 at Cessnock Pit Paddock. Scorers were J. Wilkinson 1, G. Wilkinson 1, Chariton 1, and Hartley for Neath. In the season G. Wilkinson netted 14 goals. Charlton 10, J. Wilkinson 8.

Kearsley repeated its success in 1925 by winning the preand beating Cessnock West End in final by 4 to 0. The winning eleven comprised F. Jones, M. McCort, E. Hill, J. Patrick, C. Hill, L. Atkinson, T. Junor, J. Wilkinson, S. Jones, G. Wilkinson, C. Gregory.

Despite keen opposition from nearby Aberdare. Kearsley did well in 1927. It beat a combined Neath-Abermain XI in Stevenson Cup by 4 to 0. Its team comprised F. Jones, A. Hodges, G. Angow, H. Kearsley, L. Atkinson, J. Patrick, P. Burgoyne, G. Wilkinson, J. Rutherford, H. Charlton, M. Stevens.

The advent of the Statewide premiership in 1928 drove Kearsley back into the junior circles till 1937 when the club entered the Stevenson Cup. After a series of wins it lost the final to Weston by 6 to 2; its scorers were R. Paddock and L. Johnson. Kearsley again played in the Stevenson Cup final in 1941, when Weston again took out the trophy by 5 to 1 — Green scoring Kearsley's sole goal.

When the breakaway came in 1942 Kearsley re-entered the localised senior league. It only had moderate success. Goalscorers were A. Jones (13), C. Pont (7), S. O'Neill (4), W. King (4), A. Green (4).

In the same competition in 1944, Kearsley's returns were poor four wins in 16 matches. A. Green secured 10 goals but O'Brien, L. George, J. Laverick, A. Tomlinson did well in defence.

In 1948, Kearsley won honours in Coalfield senior grade after a thrilling struggle with Bellbird. No fewer than nine players scored double-figures during the season; they were M. Rorke 14, F. Griffin 14, P. Kerr 14, J. Sneddon 14, P. Powell 14, J. McLaren 14, G. Mason 13, J. Campbell 11. D. O'Brien 10, while O. Cresswell, R. Fitzpatrick, C. Gregory, W. Lomas excelled in defence.

Kearsley's activities were confined to the junior ranks till 1955 when the club entered a one-round senior series. The team won five out of seven, but failed to qualify for final.

In 1956, the club had a poor record in the League but played a 3 all draw in the third round of the Stevenson Cup against Weston, but lost the replay.

D. Powell (11). O. Cresswell (9) and B. Darcy (6) were chief goal-getters. The 1957 season was a heavy one and Kearsley did well in both the Millor and Stamina Cups. In the semi-final, it was beaten by Greta Austral by 1 to 0. Its eleven comprised R. May, J. Blane, N. Tomlinson, K. O'Brien, R. Darcy, D. Charnock, P. Kerr, D. Powell, C. Sneddon, O. Cresswell, H. Swinton. In the season P. Powell broke the club's record with 40 goals with C. Sneddon on 11.

It was a very successful season. In 1960 Kearsley finished fifth in the N.L. 2nd Division. The club's best goalscorers were D. Powell 17 and J. Rockley 12.

Kearsley filled eighth position in 1961 with E. Wells (14), T. Lysaghts (7), D. Powell (6), K. Knee (5), best goalscorers.

In 1962, the club remained in the doldrums with D. Powell top scorer on 18.

A revival helped to lift the club to third position in the 2nd Division in 1963. It lost in the semi-final to be knocked out. The club lost ground in 1964, winning only four of its 18 games. Worse was to follow in 1965, for the club took over the woodenspoon with five points from 18 matches. Relegated to 3rd Division, the Kearsley

team entered the semi-finals along with New Lambton, Merewether, Charlestown. In 1967, Kearsley finished fifth in 12 team series. Its home record was excellent with only one loss and two draws in a hard-fought series. Kearsley found it a hard job to regain a place in the 2nd Division for in 1968 it managed to fill the sixth place.

The 3rd Division was replaced by the Amateur League in 1969 and Kearsley concentrated on its junior teams. Kearsley remained in the wilderness till 1977 when under a new system of grading, it entered the 4th Division, finishing tenth in a 20 teams one-round premiership — its 2nd team in ninth place and its 3rds in eighth place. Signs of a revival.

The club had developed quite a group of potential juniors who should do well in the future.

1922 Season President.J.H.Bloomfield Secretary.Perce Shepperd & Laurie Tamlyn Treasurer.J.Howard

The entries for the 1922 season Newcastle Competition 2nd Grade. Adamstown, Charlestown, Wallsend, West Wallsend, Killingsworth (Premiers)

3rd Grade.Boolaroo, Catherine Hill Bay, Dudley, Minmi, Wallsend, West Wallsend, Marylands, Mayfield, New Lambton, Redhead, Wallsend Kiora, Young Wallsend, Holmesville (Premiers)

4th Grade.Adamstown, Broadmeadow, Cardiff, Newcastle, Catherine Hill Bay, Jesmond, Wallsend Royals, Wallsend Mazeppas, Seahampton Seaweeds (Premiers)

Referees. J. Sanderson, Laurie Tamlyn, Bede Pratten, Harry Pratten, H. H. Winley, J. Dellaway, Shipp. Hughes, McLaren, Dodds, Broadbent, Shepperd, Smith, Channel, Dobinson, Harrigan,

South Maitland Competition entries 2nd Grade.Abermain, Bellbird, Cessnock, Hebburn, Neath, Weston, Greta,

3rd Grade. Abermain, Aberdare, Bellbird, Cessnock, West End, Hebburn, Kearsley, Stanford Methyr.

Referees
S.Field, Fred Jennings, Hincks, Tom Crawford, Endean,
Earp, Penniment, Linsley, McBlane, Jowett, J. Sneddon,
Beverly, N. Shaw, E. Messenger, Hindmarsh, Reek,
Hollingsworth, McSweeney.

1922	Allactions					Wallsand	30(2)	Weil Weilernel	Points
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Cennock	1-2, 2-2	×	2-1, 2-2	5-2, 7-4	5-0, 3-0	2-0, 0-3	2-1, 2-1	2-4, 2-2	19
Kurri Kurri	1-2, 1-2	1-2, 2-2	x	0-0, 2-0	5-1, 3-2	0-2, 0-2	2-4, 0-6	0-7, 2-2	9
Mayfield " Unifed -	0-2, 1-4	2-5, 4-7	0-0, 0-2	x	2-0, 0-1	0-3, 0-6	1-8, 2-5	1-4, 0-5	3
Newcastle	0-6, 0-7	0-5, 0-3	1-5, 2-3	1-0, 0-2	×	1-9, 1-9	L/F, 1-7	1-6,0-12	2
Wallsend	2-1, 0-0	3-0; 0-2	2-0, 2-0	3-0, 6-0	9-1, 9-1	x	2-2, 2-1	0-0, 1-2	21
Weston	3-2, 1-1	1-2, 1-2	4-2, 6-0	8-1, 5-2	W/F 7-1	2-2, 1-4	×	2-0, 1-0	20
: West Wallsend	2-1, 2-0	4-2, 2-2	7-0, 2-2	5-0, 4-1	6-1,12-0	0-0, 2-1	0-2, 0-1	×	21

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Five Sydney Clubs added a pleasing variety to the Kerr Cup series, but in the end it was West Wallsend and Weston who qualified to meet in the final. Under referee H.H.Winley, West Wallsend once again showed what an awesome power they were by defeating Weston 5x1, at the Tramway ground. The scorers for Weşty were Podge Maunder(3) Sinclair and McLaughlin with one each. Weston fielded R.Cockburn, Tommy Oliver, J.Penman, Jack Avis, J.Martin, J.Bates, J.Adams, W.Richardson, J.McCroarey, Jack Gilmour, J.Mather(1).

Details of the competition are.

Round.1.	Cessnock	4	v	Eastern Suburbs	1
	Kurri Kurri	6	v	Gladesville Ryde	3
	Adamstown	4	v	Campsie Thistles	0
	Pyrmont	2	v	Sydney	1
	West Wallsend	, Walls	e	id Rovers, Mayfield	United,
	West Wallsend	, Aubur	n	(Byes)	

Round.2	Auburn	1	v	Mayfield United	0
	Weston	1	v	Cessnock	0
	Wallsend		v	Adamstown	0
	Pyrmont		v	Kurri Kurri	1
	West Wallsend (Rve)			

Round.3	Weston	2 v Auburn	1
	Wallsend . Pyrmont	.West Wallsend(Byes)	

Semi	Finals				
	West Wallsend	1	v	Wallsend	0
	Weston	3	V	Pyrmont	2
Final	. West Wallsend	5	v	Weston	1

Gardiner Cup Series
There were 10 entries from the North, but only Adamstown, Wallsend and West Wallsend managed as far as the third round.
West Wallsend qualified to play Granville in the final going down 1x0.

Representative Match
During the season, the Newcastle representative X1
beat Sydney 3x1. This match in Sydney brought together
two "star"centre forwards in William"Podge"Maunder of
WestWallsend and Alf Jennings from the South Coast. On
the day.however, the honours went to Maunder who won a
place in the Australian team to tour New Zealand.

New zealand Tour details.

The full Australian touring team comprised the following.

A.Morgan(Manager(Q) S.A.Storey(Assist Manager)N.S.W)

W.Bratten(Q) G.W.Brown(Q)W.Bryant(Q)D.Cumberford(Q)

J.Cumberford(Q)Alec Gibbs(Capt)Q),W.McBride(Q)

C.Shenton(Q)George Cartwright(Annandale Leichhardt)

W.Dane(Granville)Peter Doyle(Adamstown)

A.Fisher(V.Capt)Balmain Fernleigh)D.Ward(Balgownie) Titch Thompson(Balgownie)William"Podge"Maunder(West-Wallsend.)

Tour details

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Australia	3	v	Wanganui	1
"	8	v	Nelson	2
"	0	v	Wellington	3
"	2	v	Westland	1
**	4	v	Southland	1
"	2	v	Otago	1
"	6	v	Taranaki	1
"	4	v	Auckland	1
"	2	v	South Auckland	1
"	5	v	Manawatu	0

**Would you please note that Mr.J.Cumberford scored the first goal of the tour.

"But"Please note carefully. That Mr.W. "Podge Maunder of the West Wallsend Bluebellls Club from Newcastle scored Australia's first ever "INTERNATIONAL GOAL, by scoring in the first test.

Australia G. Cartwright A. Fisher D. Cumberford A. Gibb C. Shenton P. Doyle W. Dane J. Cumberford W.Maunder(1) D. Ward T. Thompson

G.W. Brown

1 v New Zealand Reg Craxton(Northcote) Rewi Braithwaite(Huntley) Bob McAuley (Kaitangata) Bill Brownlee(Thistle Wellington) Jock Corbett(Philomel) Dan Jones (Waterside) Wal Brundell(Northern Otago) Bill Knott(Northcote) Ted Cook(Corinthians Southland) George Campbell (Thistle W'Ton) Chas Ballard(YMCA) New Zealand scorers were Cook(2)Knott(1)

Match played at Carisbrook. 17/6/1922.

Second Test at Athletic Park Wellington 24/6/1922 Australia 1 v New Zealand G. Cartwright R. Craxton A. Fisher R. Braithwaite D. Cumberford R.McAuley A. Gibb W. Brownlee C. Shenton J. Corbett P. Doyle D. Jones W.Bratten(1) W. Brundell J. Cumberford Bill Anton(Waterside) W. Maunder T. Cook D. Ward G. Campbell

C.Ballard(1)

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Third Test Domain Auckland 8/7/1922

Australia

1 v New Zealand

G. Cartwright

R.Craxton

A.Fisher

R. Braithwaite

D.Cumberford

W. Bryant W.McBride

R. McAuley N.McArthur(Thistle(Wellington)

A.Gibb

D. Corbett(Philomel) D. Jones

W.Bratton

L. Barwell (Rangers)

W.Maunder T. Thompson C.C.Dacre (North Shore)(1)

D. Ward

E.Cook (1) G.Campbell (1)

P. Dovle W. Dane Brown(1) C.Ballard

1922 - Australian Touring Side to New Zealand



G Cartwright, J Cumberford, W Maunder, W Bratton, D Cumberford, W McBridie, C Shenton, J Bryant D Ward, G Brown, A Gibb (Capt), A Morgan (Mgr), A Fisher (V-Capt), S Storey (Asst Mgr), P Doyle

W Dane, T Thompson **Would you please note that J.Peebles and and J.Hamilton after being selected to tour New Zealand both withdrew because of business reasons, and were replaced by W.Bryant and C.Shenton of Queensland.

Upon their return home, the Australian team were beaten by a South Maitland X1 at the Drill Hall Ground Kurri Kurri. The South Maitland team were Bobby Austin(Weston)D.Leece(Weston)G.Williams(Cessnock) A.Henderson(Kurri Kurri)J.Strange(Cessnock) Peter Coppock(Weston)Tommy Oliver(Weston)Jack Avis(Weston) Les Brown(Cessnock)Jack Gilmour(Weston)Perce Lennard (Cessnock) J.Martin replaced the injured Tommy Oliver in the second half.



1922 At Kurri Kurri 20/7/1922
South Maitland v Australia
Back Row.G.Endean(Lines)A.Henderson, J.Martin(Capt)
J.Strang, P.Coppock, J.Bates(Mgr)
Middle Row.T.Crawford(Referee)J.Avis, T.Oliver,
P.Lennard, J.Gilmore, L.Brown
Front Row.G.Williams, Bob Austin, D.Leese.

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1922
On the 22nd July, the Australian team played a 1x1 draw
with N.S.W.
                         1 v New South WAles
Australia
                             J.Boyle(Coledale)
G.Cartwright
                             T.Callen(Balmain Gladestone)
A. Fisher
                             S.Robinson(Pyrmont)
D.Cumberford
                             E.Loveridge(Pyrmont)
P.Doyle
                             W. Harrigan (Corrimal)
A.Gibb
                            H.Spurway(Granville)
G.Shenton
                            H.Gowan(Sydney)
W. Dane
                            P.Lennard (Cessnock)
J.Cumberford
                             A.Phillips(Balmain Fernleigh)
W.Maunder
                             D.McLaughlin(West Wallsend)
D. Ward
                             T.Sinclair(West Wallsend)
T. Thompson
                             Reserves
Reserves
                             R.Critcher(Corrimal)
W.Bryant
                             A.Creighton(Woonona Bulli)
W.McBride
                            R.Maitland(Pyrmont)
S.A.Storey
                            G. Turner (Sydney)
G.W. Brown
W.Bratten
               Interstate Matches.
Queensland came to NSW IN July.
                                                  5
                         2 v Queensland
Newcastle
Bobby Austin(Weston)
Rags Urwin(Wallsend)
H. Butcher (Mayfield Utd)
Art Lambert (Adamstown)
J.Strange(Cessnock)
A. Henderson (Kurri Kurri)
J.McCroarey(Weston)
Tommy Sinclair (West Wallsend)
Di McLaughlin(West Wallsend)
E. Williams (Cessnock)
R. Henderson (Kurri Kurri)
Queensland then met South Coast at Wollongong
South Coast
                          2 v Queensland
                             J. Hamilton
C.Boyle
                             V. Rumble
 Hunter
                             G. Harris
  Critcher
                             J. Peebles (Capt)
  Johnstone
                             E. Green
  Creighton
                             J. Edwards
 Druery
                             L.Clarke
E. Jarrett
                             T. Hainsworth
  Walsh(1)
                             D. Potts
J. Masters
                             W. Nichols
  Jones(1)
                               White
  Veigal
Queensland also met Combined Hospitals winning 3x2
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and also defeated Granville 3x2.

1922 New South Wales 2 v Queensland J. Boyle (Coledale Henry Maunder(West Wallsend) S. Robinson (Pyrmont) E.Loveridge(Pyrmont) G.Storey(Balmain Gladestone) Harry Spurway(Granville) R.Osborne(Granville) A.Phillips(1)Balmain Fernleigh) Alf Jennings(South Coast) E.See(Wallsend) Frank Mellier-Smith(St Stephens Tommy Sinclair(1)West Wallsend) Referee W.A. Wright

New South Wales later in the year visited Queensland.
The players were.
E.Aitchinson(Granville)R.Critcher(Corrimal)J.Crum(Sydney,
F.Callen(Balmian Gladestone)A.Creighton(Woonona Bulli)
W.Harrigan(Corrimal)Peter Doyle(Capt)Adamstown)
E.Williams(Cessnock)Perce Lennard(Cessnock)A.L.Peaty(Sydney)
A.Phillips(Balmain Fernleigh)Tommy Sinclair(West Wallsend)
Di McLaughlin(West Wallsend)G.Storey(Balmain Gladestone)
S.Robinson(Pyrmont Rangers)J.R.Maitland(Pyrmont.

HOMESTEAD TRAGEDY

In September this year, while a number of players and spectators were sheltering in the iron dressing shed, at The Homestead, it was struck by lightning. The bolt killed player Peter Coppock.one of the finest half backs to play the game.

Also killed was a fine young fellow, Gordon Hadfield, who had just turned 15 years of age.

Several other people received shocks with three of them requiring hospitalisation.

1922 New South v Queensland (Took)



Back Row.H.Gallen.J.B.Crum.E.Aitchinson.R.Critcher,R.Storey.' 3rd Row.R.C.Maitland.A.Creighton.W.L.Harrigan.T.Sinclair. P.Lennard.

2nd Row.E.J.Williams.L.B.Tamlyn(Mgr)P.Doyle(Capt)
G.Storey(V.Capt)A.L.Peaty.D.McLaughlin.
Front Row.A.Phillips.T.C.Sinclair(Mascot)F.Gallen.



Back Row. H. H. Winley. D. McLaren. A. Lambert. A. White. L. Tamlyn. W. Stott

Middle Row.R.Lidbury.R.Sneddon(Capt)F.Hayes.

Front Row. T. Coates, J. Cameron. W. Maunder. R. Urwin. D. McLaughlinn. P. Doyle.

3rd June 1922 Newcastle v Queensland.



Back Row.D.McAllister, Bob Lidbury, E.Williams, A.Lambert L.Tamblyn.
Centre Row.Tom Sinclair, Rags Urwin, J.Strang, R.Henderson, Di McLaughlin

Front Row.W.Stott(Referee)H.Butcher, Bobby Austin(Capt) A. Henderson, J. McCroarey.

Newcastle Tramway Football Club 1922
(Inset)W.Merritt,W.Kellett,P.Brogan
Back Row.Mascot.J.Pann,F.Davis(V.P)W.Brettle(V.Capt)A.Jack.
J.Ell,J.Dann(Treas)
Middle Row.A.Lewis(Assist-Sec)G.O'Brien,J.Smith(Capt)
E.Feighan,J.Heddles
Front.Row.T.Burrell,G.Wright(Absent)P.Stoddard,J.Sneddon.

NEWCASTLE TRAMWAY SOCCER FOOTBALL CLUB,





1922 At Kurri Kurri 20/7/1922
South Maitland v Australia
Back Row.G.Endean(Lines)A.Henderson, J.Martin(Capt)
J.Strang, P.Coppock, J.Bates(Mgr)
Middle Row.T.Crawford(Referee)J.Avis, T.Oliver,
P.Lennard, J.Gilmore, L.Brown
Front Row.G.Williams, Bob Austin, D.Leese.

Weston 1922



Back Row(Standing Officials)
W.Beaney(Secretary)R.Humble.G.Avis,W.Barker.R.Dixon. G.Kennedy(Trn) 3rd Row.T.Oliver.R.Cockburn.J.Penman.
Middle Row.W.Tweddle(Pres)J.Avis.J.Martin(Capt)J.Bates.

J.Mills.
Front Row.J.T.Adams, G.Richardson.J.McCroarey.J.Mather J.Gilmour.

N.D.B.F.A.

Annual Report.

GENTLEMEN, ""

In our last report we expressed pleasure at the increase the Soccer code had made during the 1921 sesson. This progress was continued in 1972, and at no time in the history of Northern Soccer was much a splendid season experienced. The increase in the code spopularity was greater than solicipated, not is a further proof that our code is taking the public eye.

COMPETITIONS.

The district system was persevered with, and met with satisfaction. In the Senior Gracie eight teams entered: Mayfield United, Newcastle City, Adamstown, Walkenil, West Walkend, Rurri Kurri, Weston, and Cersnock Slayfield United were practically the old Lysaght's team, the other teams in previous seasons.

The Ellis Cup was won by Wallsend, who defeated West Wallsend in a necessary final, and so Wallsend became senior premiers. The senior trophies were won by West Wallsend, who defeated Cesanock in the final.

The Second Grade competition drew five teams: Killingworth, West Wallsend, Wallsend, Adamstown, and Charlestown. Killingworth were the premiers and Middleton Cup winners, while in the final Adamstown, by virtue of their victory over Killingworth, secured the medals.

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The A (Third) Grade competition drew thirteen teams. A one-round competition was again decided upon. As showing the keenness in this grade, three teams—Walisend Kia-Ora, New Lambton, and Roinsersill—all finished unsideated, and level, at the head of the League. In the senti-final Kia-Ora rejected Docisroe, and Hoinserville beat New Lambton, Kia-Ora then defeated Hoinserville in the final, and so secured the Association trophies. Kia-Ora further defeated Roinserville and New Lambton in the Cup play-off, and so became A Grade premiers, and Lyall Cup winners.

In the Fourth Grade competition (resuscitated in 1971), twenty frame entered. It was decided to run two divisions, and to give the premiers of each division the Cups set agert for that purpose, and to call upon the two leading teams in secil division to play a knock-out semi- and final. Beahamoton Seeweeds were premiers of the "A" Division, and so secured the Scott «Cup. Hoimesville were "B" Division premiers, and secured the new R. Bryunt Cup. In the semi-final Seaweeris defeated Hoimesville, and Teralba defeated Keiscaatle. In the final Sealiampton Seaweeds defeated Teralba, and so secured the Association trophies.

In the "B" Grade (under 13), ten teams entered. Adamstown and

and so secured the Association trophies.

In the "B" Grade (under 13), ten teams entered. Adamstown and Waisend Rovers finished level, but in the play-off Adamstown, after three draws, defeated Waisend Rovers. Adamstown later secured the double by sanexing the Association trophies.

The "C" Grade (under 18) was again won by West Walland, who thus for the second year in succession secured the Roward Cun and trophies. In connection with this grade it should be pointed out that the play in the uniter 10 comprision was a reveiation. Scientific Societ was witnessed, and it is evident that the teaching these boys received in the achoosis is slowing good results, and, if continued, must advance the game still more.

The School Teachers' Association again ran Soccer competitions, but in-need their gindes from two to three. Mr. L. G. Bentty was Serietary, and report is as follows:

"School Soccer competitions were conducted in the district in three grades. For the mice of convenience, the district was divided into two areas—Zatern and Western. In the Eastern area two competitions, A Granic (under 15 on 1/1/22), and D Grade (under 13), on 1/1/22), in the Western area U Grade and C Grade (under 12 on 1/1/22), were carried on.

A Grade.—In this grade six teams competed. The final was won by Adamstown, who defeated High School in the final. Adamstown hold Toung Up and medals.

B Grade.—in the two areas it teams entered, and the final was contested by the leading teams in each area. In this game Plattaburg defeated Hamiltons (4-0), winning the new Brayre Cup and medals.

C. Grade.—Six teams entered. The final was won by West Wallsend, who deleated Barnsiny, after two draws. West Wallsend hold the Mulhoiland Cup and medals.

During the year two teams visited Sydney, representative of the A and B tirmine of this district. The B Grade team played a draw, with the corresponding grade, while the A grade decisively defeated their opponents, who and been selected to tour Queensland, 2-9. Sydney were unable to return the

The N.D.B.F.A. has the thanks and gratitude of the teachers and minims of the Newcastle district for the manner in which they have fostered the school dup players. The assistance which they extended, and the interest they took, and continue to take, is greatly appreciated by the young piagers, and would be more firmly to the code under which they played during the year.

The parent body during the scason gave financial aid towards the Sydney wist, and presented the winners in the three grades with sets of medals; they also secured for the B Grade the Braye Cup. Referees and grounds were always at our disposal, and the personal assistance of Mr. Tamiya, though effect sought, was always freely given."

MARIST BROTHERS.

tition. The friendly relationship is, however, still evident, and there is every prompet that the Bruthers will, in the coming season, spain run a Society competition.

KERR CUP (NORTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP).

Just was again thrown open to teams outside the Northern ares. It again sires a large entry: West Wallsend defeated Weston in the final, and en secured the trophice, which were last season won by Wallsend.

GARDINER CUP (STATE CHAMPIONSHIP).

This event was again controlled by the New South Wales Association. A fewna entry was again received. Granville secured the trophy, defeating in the mail West Walleard, who were indices of the Cup.

RICHARDSON CUP (STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP).

Fourteen Newcastle teams entered in this event. New Lambton and Boolsroo-both Newcastle teams—reached the final. Their meeting was protinuate of very exciting Soccer, and it look four games to decide who should become the State Junior Champions. At the fourth meeting Boolsroo won a bard game by three goals to two.

INTER-DOMINION TOUR . .

worne the season an Ametralian team toured New Zealand. The team met with fair success, but were unsuccessful in the tests. New Zealand won two, and the other resulted in a draw.

INTERSTATE GAMES.

The usual Queeusiand games were indulged in, and the only test played in New South Wales was won by this State.

The return tour was made in August, and better success was secured.

New South Wales winning both leats. Your Secretary was Manager of the

New South Wales touring team.

Newcastle's selected team met Queenslaud on the Tramway Ground, queensland were the better team, and for the first time in many years Newcastle suffered defeat. The Queenslanders were the guest of His Worship the Mayor (Ainterman Cornism) to a civic reception, and guest of your Association to dinner, socials, etc.

JUNIOR STATE TOUR.

For the first time a New South Wales Junior Team toured Queensland. The team was captained by a Newcastle pinyer—loc Warille. The tour opened up new ground, and the return visit—to take place this year—should create mided interest in the Junior ranks.

INTER DISTRICT CONTESTS.

A selected Newcastle team visibed the South Coast, and played the selected South Coast team. Newcastle won 51. Later in the season another selected Newcastle team visited Sydney, and on Ventworth Park defeated the Metropolitan Eleven 3-1. Your Treasurer (Mr. R. Skillings) acted as Manager to both these teams.

Junior Inter-district games v. Svdnev were again played. In Newcastle, Sysiney A Granie defented Newcastle, but the D Granie game resulted in Myriney's defent.

The return games in Spiner again resulted in Newcastle winning the B Grade match, while the A Grade game was drawn. Your President IMr. J. H. Bloomifeld! was Manager of the Junior Team.

GROUNDS. !

The Transway Ground was again the chief playing area, and was in ase every Saturday sturing the season. Young Walliesed ground was frequently need, while Cassacock, Weston, and Kurri Kurri grounds were also utilized for Ketr Gup matches.

Keir Cup matches.

In the early part of last season the Association took on its biggest liability when a granulation was erected, and officially opened by His Vorship the Mayor of Hamilton (Aliserman Tomisend) on June 3rd. The cost of the stand was £1407. Towards this £500 was borrowed, and to those who as kindly assisted us we desire to place on record our thanks—especially do we express our appreciation to F. V. Barlow, Ean, President N.S.V. Socretains, S. Howard, Fen., Vice-president N.D.B.F.A., and to the State Association, who were the first to lead us moor for the graceistand purpose. Uf this £500, £500 has been repaid, and at the present time only £200 remains in be paid off. The stand made a wonderful improvement to the Transvay Ground, and proved a good revenue-producer.

REFEREES' ASSOCIATION.

The Referent Association was again to the fore with valuable help. Mr. Stott was President, while Mr. Durie and Mr. Shipp were again Secretary and Transurer respectively.

FINANCE.

The recripts for the year show a wonderful improvement. The income tran £3307 0s 10d (gate receipts being £7356 lee 11d). The expanditure was £3307 12s 10d. The chief items of expanditure were £1200 paid off the grand-tand. Medials cost £200, advertising £100, rent £105, Testalion £200, allowance to child £130, £130 & 6d was paid to the State Association, while improvements to the grand cost £100. A credit balance of £181 & is carried lawrand.

The Assets and Liability side show a wonderful balance in favour of your Assets. The Auditor, Mr. Magnus Cromerty, estimates the Association's Assets at £1371, while its Liabilities are only £200 on Transway financiatand, and £37 10s on Young Wallsend ground. When it is mentioned that a few years ago the Association had no Assets, it will readily be seen what the growth of the ends has been.

Only 237 line is now owing an Young Wallacad ground before it becomes the absolute property of the M.D.D.F.A., while the remaining £200 debt on the grammatand should soon be wiped off.

Last year a experiment, however, is sufficient research for at least the continua-

BEREAVEMENTS.

It is with proper we record the deaths of a former Association Secretary, W. (Bill) Roberts, after an extended Illness; P. G. (Peter) Lappock was killbid by lightning at Western; and J. (Jac.) Dure, the Mayheld Secretary, died in Newcastle, Hoanital after several appearations. A benefit was run for Memianus Cappock and Burt, and it is pleasing to record the fact that £190 was secured. Both widows receive £05, in addition to which the State Association domated £10 to 10 to Mrs. Cappock.

MANAGEMENT.

The Committee as usual met weekly. Thirty-seven meetings were held. The attendance of Committeemen was as follows: J. H. Bloomfield (President), 37; H. J. Stillings (Tressurer), 37; L. B. Tamlyn (Secretary), 15; J. Huward (Vice-president), 22; S. Stewart, 22; H. H. Winley, 31; W. Stott, 31; J. Durie, 10 who was replaced as Reference Representative by Mr. P. J. Shermani, who attended is needings).

' CHARITY.

Twenty pounds was donated to the Newcastle Hospital, In addition to which letters of thanks for assistance rendered have been received from the Aintor Ambulance Dirgards, the United Charities, the Hamilton nuemployed, the Newcastle unemployed, the Sairation Army, and various small clienitable builds.

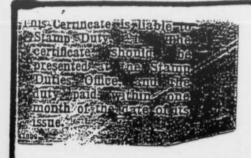
THANKS.

We again derire to express our thanks for all who assisted our code. The Press assisted us in spiendid fashion, while players, referees, club officials all did their part in assisting the code's advance.

CONCLUSION.

With the 1922 season's great advance to sour everyone on, the problems of the future can be net with a boil front. The success of the code merely requires the same pulling all logistier, as has been evidenced in the past, and then Succes will quickly rank even higher in the public view.

J. H. BLOOMFIELD, President, L. B. TAMLYN, Hon. Secretary.







NEW SOUTH WALES.

Nos. 97250 and 119720.

ertificate of Incorporation of Company

The Companies Act. 1936.
(Section 369).

oni	(I) that THE AUSTRALIAN SOCCER FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION LIMITS
0.1	ginally called The Football Association (Australia) Limited
was	incorporated under the Companies Act, 1899, and is deemed to be
1051	istered under the Companies Act, 1936.
	(2) that the date of Incorporation of the said Company is the
twe:	lfth — day of October — one thousand nine
hund	dred and twenty-three.
	(3) that the said Company is limited by shares.
	Giben under my hand, at Sydney, this twelfth —
	day of April,one thousand nine hundred
and for	ty - six.
	Percy & Tomile
Exd.	Deputy Registrar-General.

1923 Season.
President.A.A.Stirling
Vice President.H.H.Winley
Secretary.P.J.Shepherd
Assist.Secretary.C.Edmunds
Treasurer.R.J.Skillings

Nominations for Grades

Senior Grade entries 9
Second Grade entries 8
Third Grade entries 10.

Senior Entries were Wallsend, Adamstown, West Wallsend, Weston, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Neath, Mayfield Utd, Newcastle/Hamilton.

Second Grade Entries Adamstown, Killingsworth, Mayfield Utd, Wallsend, Teralba, Newcastle/Hamilton, Mayfield Central, West Wallsend.

Third Grade Entries Boolaroo, Holmesville, Dudley, New Lambton, Mayfield Utd, Wallsend, Swansea, School Of Arts, West Wallsend.

Fourth Grade Entries(A.Division)
Cardiff, Jesmond, Wakefield, Wallsend Royals, Dudley, Adamstown,
West Wallsend, Broadmeadow, Killingsworth,

Fourth Grade (B. Division)
Boolaroo, Catherine Hill Bay, Redhead, Fernleigh, Newcastle,
Merewether Advance, New Lambton, Teralba, Thistles.

Registered Referee,s S.Smith, W. Hughes, B. Pratten, J. Biddlecomb, G. Broadbent J. Durie, J. Dodds, W. Shipp, H. H. Winley, E. Rutherford, A. Jack, D. McLaren, J. Sneddon, J. Sanderson, J. Graham, Charlie Nix.

On the 9th May 1923, the first senior match ever played at Neath took place Between Kurri Kurri and Neath. Kurri Kuri won 2x0.

1923 Blis Cup	Adamstown	Cessnock	Kurri Karri	Mayfield United	Newcastle - Hamilton	Neath	Wallsend	Weston	West Wallsend	Point
Adamstown	х	2-1, 4-0	2-2, 0-1	2-1, 3-0	1-0, 3-0	0-0, 1-1	0-0, 2-1	3-0, 1-1	3-1, 1-0	25
Cessnock	1-2, 0-4	×	0-0, 1-1	6-2, 4-0	4-0, 5-0	1-0, 2-0	1-2, 1-3	1-0, 0-1	2-0, 0-3	18
Kurri Kurri	2-2, 1-0	0-0, 1-1	x	3-1, 5-0	5-2, 4-0	2-1, 3-0	1-4, 0-1	2-2, 1-3	1-4, 1-5	18
Mayfield United	1-2, 0-3	2-6, 0-4	1-3, 0-5	х	2-0, 2-2	0-1, 2-3	1-2, 1-5	3-3, 2- 10	1-3, L/F	4
Newcastle Hamilton	0-1, 0-3	0-4, 0-5	2-5, 0-4	0-2, 2-2	×	2-2, 2-3	2-9, 0-7	0-3, 0-5	1-2, L/F	2
Neath	0-0, 1-1	0-1, 0-2	1-2, 0-3	1-0, 3-2	2-2, 3-2	X	4-4, 1-2	0-0, 1-3	2-3, 2-2	12
Wallsend	0-0, 1-2	2-1, 3-1	4-1, 1-0	2-1, 5-1	9-2, 7-0	4-4, 2-1	x	3-0, 3-1	1-0, 0-2	26
Weston	0-3, 1-1	1-0, 0-1	2-2, 3-1	3-3, 10-	3-0, 5-0,	0-0, 3-1	0-3, 1-3	x	2-2, 2-1	19
West Wallsend	1-3, 0-1	0-2, 3-0	4-1, 5-1	3-1, W/F	2-1, W/F	3-2, 2-2	0-1, 2-0	2-2, 1-2	X	20

1923 First Grade Semi Final 3 v West Wallsend Adamstown Jack Coutts A.Smith H.James J. Beddow Henry Maunder S.Stewart Clarrie Coutts Peter Doyle W.Smith Art Lambert Frank Coolahan L. Bailey Di McLaughlin E.Bush(2) Tommy Sinclair(2) J.Stewart W.Erickson(1) Alec Cameron G. Ross H.Johns Tommy Coates J.Cameron(1) Referee J.Sneddon Replay 1 v West Wallsend 0 Adamstown A.Smith Jack Coutts H.James J. Beddow Henry Maunder S.Stewart Clarrie Coutts Peter Doyle W. Smith Art Lambert Frank Coolahan L.Bailey Di McLaughlin E.Bush(1) Tommy Sinclair J.Stewart W.Erickson Alec Cameron G.Ross H. Johns Tommy Coates J. Cameron Referee J. Sneddon

**Would you please note that in the first Semi Final Adamstown's Goalkeeper A.Smith was sent from the field by Referee Sneddon,""But in the extra time played, the Adamstown Goalkeeper A.Smith was allowed back on the field for extra time.

West Wallsend appealed to the NDBFA, but the appeal was dismissed

The Second Semi Final 1 v Wallsend Weston G. Bower Bobby Austin . Eric Urwin Tommy Oliver Dan Rees J.Bates Jimmy Johnstone A.Little Rags Urwin Jack Avis Ernie Owen H.Bellamy F.Wills J. Gallagher W. Gibson Jack Gilmour(1) P. Davidson J.McCroarey W. Walker J. Grant W. Craig A.Adams Referee D.McLaren

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1923
          Final at the Tramway Ground Hamilton 3 v Adamstown 2
 Weston
 Bobby Austin
                            A. Smith
 Tommy Oliver
                            J.Beddow(1)
 J. Bates
                            W.Stewart
 A.Little
                        Peter Doyle
 Jack Avis
                      A.Lambert
                         L.Bailey
H.Johns
 H.Bellamy
 J.Gallagher
Jack Gilmour(1)
                              Coates
                         Coates
E.Gilbert
J.McCroarey(1)
J. Grant
                           Alec Cameron
A.Adams(1)
                            J. Bush
                            Reserve
                            J. Stewart
                  Referee S.Smith
                   KERR CUP
There were no entries from Sydney for this year's Cup
in the first Semi Final
                   2 v West Wallsend 1
Cessnock
J. Hannah
                            J. Coutts
R.Lidbury
                            H.James
G. Williams
                            H.Maunder
G. Rowe
                           W. Smith
T. Durie
                           C.Coutts(1)
J.Wilson
                           F. Coolahan
E.Williams(1)
                           T. Coates
L. Brown
                           R. Boundy
E. Hodge
                           G.Ross
                T.Sinclair
D.McLaughlin
P.Lennard(1)
C.McCartney
              Referee S.Smith
The second Semi Final
Wallsend
                      4 v Weston
G. Bower
                           Bobby Austin
Dan Rees
                           J. Grant
Eric Urwin
                           T.Kelly
Jimmy Johnstone
                           J. Bates
W. Scott
                           Jack Avis
Ernie Owen
                          T.Little
P.Davidson(1)
                       J. Gallagher
Rags Urwin
                         Jack Gilmour
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H.Bellamy Referee Charlie Nix

J.McCroarey

T. Derricott

W. Gibson

W.Walker(1)

W.Craig(2)

1923 Kerr Cup Final Tramway Ground Hamilton 2 v Wallsend 1 Cessnock G. Bower Hannah D. Rees Lidbury E. Urwin Williams J. Johnstone Wilson Durie W. Scott Rowe E. Owen McNaughton(1) F. Wills L. Brown R. Urwin E. Hodge W.Gibson)1) P. Lennard W. Walker R.McCartney(1) W. Craig

Entries for the South Maitland Competition were (Third Grade)
Aberdare, Cessnock, Cessnock West End, Greta, Bellbird, Hebburn,
rasshoppers, Stanford Methyr, East Greta, Pelaw Main
Kearsley and Rangers.

South Maitland fourth Grade
East Greta, Mulbring, Pagans, Pelaw Main, Stanford Methyr,
and Sawyers Gully.

Gardiner Cup

Fight Northern teams nominated for the Gardiner Cup this year but four local derbys in the first round saw the representation cut in half .However, West Wallsend made it through to the final defeating Balmain Fernleigh.

(More deatail later)

1923 Kerr Cup Winners Cessnock



Back Row.W.Jack(Pres)B.Green(Assist Sec)J.Rennex(Com)
F.Gosper(Sec)

3rd Row. A.Gibbons(Com)Unknown? .G.Rowe(V.Capt)
G.Rennex.W.Hannah.E.See.G.Williams.P.Lennard.
R.McNaughton

Seated.M.McCartney.T.Durie(Capt)Les Brown.E.Hodge. Front Row.W.Mathieson.H.Wilson.E.Williams.



3rd Grade Winners New Lambton
Back Row.J.Blair Snr.J.Parsons Snr.
4th Rowe.D.Wylie,J.Blair Jnr.P.Jordan,A.Lewis,E.Spruce
3rd Row.T.Mascord,P.Stoddart,D.Griffiths,H.Jordan,W.Sibley
D.Morgan.W.Westhead.J.McNaught.E.Gray.
Seated.E.Maddison.J.Wilkinson(Pres)J.Parsons Jnr(Capt)
J.Ferguson(Sec)W.Hetherington(Treas)
Front.S.Lorimer.C.Davies.(Inset)T.Johnson.

The Ashes

"Anzac" Perpetuated

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND TESTS

NTIL the 1923 season "the ashes," whether in cricket or football, was always a symbolical term, and it was not until the tour of the New Zealand Socoer team in Australia, in 1923, ngible ashes came into being. These ashes Zealand Soccer team in Australia, in 1923, that tangible ashes came into being. These ashes are those of cigars smoked by George Campbell, captain of the New Zealand team, and Alec Gibb, captain of the Australian team, at two banquets on this side of the Tasman, and the collection of the ashes was the happy thought of Mr. Harry G. Mayer, manager of the New Zealand team, who had secured a relic of Anzac ideally suited to such a nursue. relic of Anzac ideally suited to such a purpose.

This relic is a plated safety racor case, about 4 x 2 inches, and an inch deep. It was presented to Mr. W. Fisher, secretary of the Queensland Football Association.
in 1923, on his
leaving with the
Australian Imperial Forces for
Gallipoli, and was
in his possession in his possession at the landing on Gallipoli. When this memento of that historic event was prosented to Mr. Meyer he conceived the huppy idea of making the container fo: some actual ashes to be mounted and preserved in permanent form

as a trophy to be competed for in the Secret Test matches between New Zealand and Australia. Hence the collection of the ashes of the

Australia. Hence the consection of the assess of the contains.

The ruzor case was restored to new condition, and the lid permanently soldered on. This has been mounted in a beautiful casket of Australian and New Zealand timbers, made by Mr. J. S. Koan, a New Zealand artist at this class of work.

The base on which the casket stands, and also the lid of the casket are of New Zealand honeysuckle, with extremely pretty markings, and the body of the casket is of Australian maple, all polished to perthe casket is of Australian maple, all polished to per-fection, with plated hinges and key. The top of the lid is surmounted by a silver Soccer ball, while the front panel bears a silver kangaroo in the centre, with a silver fern leaf on each side bearing the let-ters "N.Z." in blue ename! Inside the lid is a silver plate inscribed: "This safety-razor case was at the landing of the Austra-

lian and New Zealand forces at Gallipoli, and contains the ashes of cigars smoked by G. Campbell, the New Zealand captain, and A. Gibb, the Australian captain, at a banquet held in Brisbane, June 9, 1922, and in Sydney, June 16, 1922."

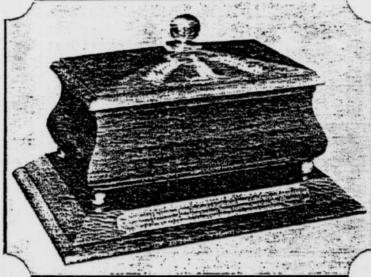
and in Sydney, June 18, 1922."

The container is securely fixed to the bottom of the casket so that it cannot be removed. The casket is mounted on silver feet on the base. On the front of the base is a silver plate 7 inches by 1 inches inscribed. "New Zealand and Australian Soccer Ashes. This casket is made of New Zealand and Australian woods and was presented by H. G. Meyer,

manager of the New Zealand team touring Australia 1923 seu-son. The ashes are contained in the canister inside this casket.

On the back of the base a slightly larger plate bears the record of the games to date as follows: - "1922. New Zealand, two wins, one draw; 1923, two wins, one loss." There is room for sufficient records for

the next 25 years. Under the base a receptacle has been cut, mount-ed by a plate screwed over it, and in which the key is placed and screwed in when not in use, the plate bearing an



inscription to that effect.

The world-wide known term "The Ashes" is believed to have originated in a newspaper report of the memorable test cricket match at the Oval in 1882. The newspaper commented on the match in the following manner:

In affectionate remembrance of English Cricket, Which died at the Oval

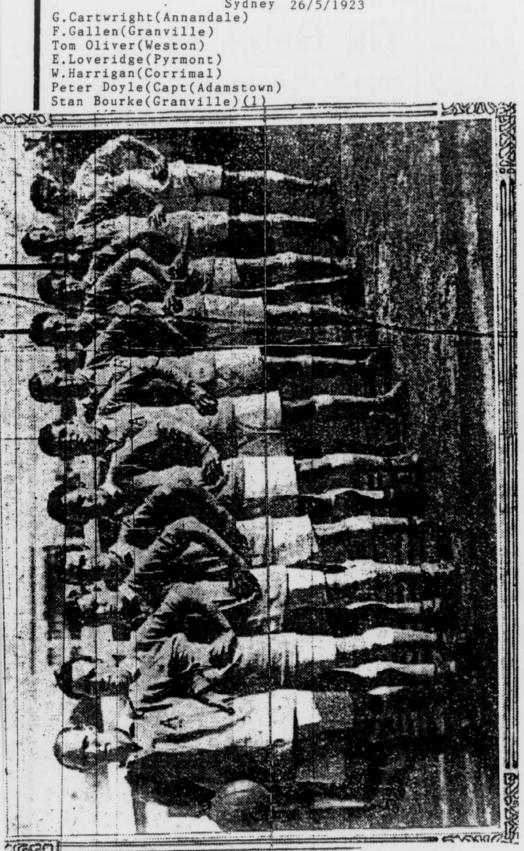
August 29th, 1882. Deeply lamented by a large circle of sorrowing friends and acquaintances. R.I.P. N.E.—The body will be cremated, and the ashes taken to Australia.

1923 New South Wales

2 v New Zealand

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Sydney 26/5/1923



LENNARD (N.S.W.), S. ROBINSON (N.S.W.), J. WHITE (Q.), W. MAUNDER (N.S.W.), J. LOVE AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN: A. GIBB (Q.), W. MITCHELL (Q.), T. THOMPSON (N.S.W.), M. BURTON (Q.), C. GEDGE (Q.), G. CARTWRIGHT (N.S.W.) THE

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1923
 New South Wales
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                                   2 v New Zealand
                       Sydney 26/5/1923
 G. Cartwright (Annandale)
 F. Gallen (Granville)
 Tom Oliver(Weston)
 E.Loveridge(Pyrmont)
 W. Harrigan (Corrimal)
 Peter Doyle(Capt(Adamstown)
 Stan Bourke(Granville) (1)
 D. Ward (Balgownie)
 W. "Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)(1)
 Keith Urwin(Wallsend)
A.Phillips(Balmain Fernleigh)
Henry Maunder(West Wallsend)
 J. Sherringham (Sydney)
 Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
New Zealand
                           2 v New South Wales
                        Sydney
                               Bobby Austin(Weston)
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                               R.C.Leadbeater(Granville)
                               Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
                               Gil Storey (Balmain Gladestone)
                               J. Forrester (Sydney)
                               Tommy Coates(West Wallsend)
                               W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)
                               J. Sherringham (Sydney)
                               Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
                               A. Phillips (Balmain Fernleigh)
Australia
                           2 v New Zealand
             1st Test Brisbane 9/6/1923
G. Cartwright (Annandale)
                                    R.Craxton
Alec Gibb(Q) Capt)
                                    R. Braithwaite
W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)(1)R.McAuley
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J. White(Q)
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J. Love(Q)
                                      Campbell
S. Robinson (Corrimal)
                                      Ballard
  Burton(Q)
Please note players for Australia are not in correct
positions.
Perce Lennard(Cessnock)scored Australia's first ever home
international Goal.
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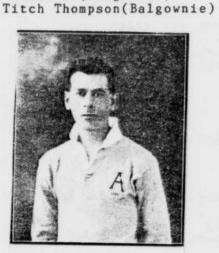
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Second Test in Sydney 16/6/1923
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 G. Cartwright (Annandale)
                                     R.Craxton
 S.Robinson(Corrimal)
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 C. Gedge(Q)
                                     R.McAuley
 J. Peebles(Q) .
                                     W. Thomas (Marist)
 J.White(Q)
                                     J. Kissick (Hospital)
 A. Gibb(Q)Capt)
                                     W. Brownlee
 W.Mitchell(Q)
                                     R. Innes (Ponsonby)
 P.Lennard(Cessnock)(1)
                                     C.Dacre(1)
 W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)
                                    G.Campbell(2)
 J.Gilmour(Weston)(1)
                                     H.Balk (Maori Hill)
 Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
                                     C. Ballard
                        Referee W.A.Wright
 Third Test at the Tramway Ground Hamilton
 Australia
                        1 v New Zealand
 Bobby Austin(Weston)
                                  R.Craxton
 Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
                                  R. Braithwaite
                                 R.McAuley
C.Gedge (Q)
Peter Doyle(Adamstown)
                                  W. Thomas
Gil Storey(Balmain Fernleigh)
                                    Kissock
Alec Gibb(Q)Capt)
                                  W. Bryden
W.Mitchell(Q)
                                  C. Innes
Perce Lennard (Cessnock)
                                    Dacre
W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)
                                    Campbell(3)
Judy Masters(Balgownie)
                                   Ballard(1)
Titch Thompson(Balgownie)(1)
                                   Balk
                  Referee Laurie Tamlyn 30/6/1923
South Coast
                         2 v New Zealand
               at Bulli 7/7/1923
J. Boyle (Coledale
P. Hunter (Balgownie)
J.Muir(Woonona)
W. Johnston (Balgownie)
A. Jones (Capt (Balgownie)
N. Cheney (Woonona)
E. Jarrett (Woonona)
D. Ward (Balgownie)
Cob Jones(2)Corrimal)
Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
Judy Masters(Balgownie)
Reserves
T.Robson(Coledale)
J. Jardine (Corrimal)
R.Critcher(Corrimal
S. Learmonth (Balgownie)
                   Referee Herb Reay.
Granville
                       3 v New Zealand
            Clyde Oval.
**Please note that only New South Wales and Queensland
took part in the tour against New Zealand.
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30/6/1923

At Newcastle Showground
Australia
Bob Austin(Weston)
Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
G.Gedge(Bush Rats.Q)
P.Doyle(Adamstown)
Gil Storey(Bal Fernleigh)
A.Gibb(Bundamba Rangers)
W.Mitchell(Brisbane City)
Perce Lennard(Cessnock)
W.Maunder(West Wallsend(1)
J.Masters(Balgownie)

1 v New Zealand 4
R.Craxton(North Shore)
R.Braithwaite(Ponsonby)
R.McAuley(Otago)
W.Thomas(Marist)
J.Kissock(Hospital)
J.Dryden(Northern Otago)
R.Innes(Ponsonby)
C.Dacre(North Shore)
G.Campbell(Thistle Wellington)4
C.Ballard(YMCA)
H.Balk(Maori Hill)



G. STOREY.

On the 27th May 1923,a Newcastle representative side defeated New Zealand,2xO at the Tramway Ground Hamilton. Newcastle team comprised the following.

Newcastle
G.Bower(Wallsend)
Frank Hayes(West Wallsend)
Peter Doyle(Adamstown)
Art Lambert(Adamstown)
Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
J.Gill(Mayfield Utd)
Keith Urwin(Wallsend)
William"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend)2)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)
Tommy Coates(West Wallsend)
Henry Maunder(West Wallsend)

W.Gill(Mayfield Utd)
Referee H.H.Winley

On the same tour New Zealand suffered defeat at the hands of the Powerful South Maitland team. South Maitland 2 v New Zealand 1 At Cessnock Pit Paddock

Bob Austin
Tom Oliver
W.Mathieson
A.Creighton
Jack Avis(Capt)
Les Brown
Perce Lennard
J.McCroarey
Jack Gilmore
Roy McNaughton
G.Williams

Referee J.Earp.

South Maitland 4 v New Zealand 1 at the Homestead Weston

Bobby Austin
Tom Oliver
W.Mathieson
A.Creighton
Jack Avis(Capt)
Les Brown
Perce Lennard
J.McCroarey
Jack Gilmour
Roy McNaughton
G.Williams

RefereeThomas Crawford.

This is the Newcastle team which defeated Victoria and New Zealand in Newcastle

29/5/1923 Newcastle 2 v New Zealand 0 26/6/1923 Newcastle 3 v Victoria 0



Standing.T.Sinclair.H.H.Winley(Ref)R.Skillings(Treas)

F. Hayes, H. J. Connell (MLA) Patron) G. Bower. P. Doyle (Cpt)

H. Maunder (V. Cpt) A. A. Stirling (Pres) A. Lambert.

P.J. Shepherd (Sec) E. Owen. L. Bailey.

Front. T. Coates. J. Cameron. W. Maunder. R. Urwin. J. Gill.

Inter State Matches .1923, Newcastle defeated the New Zealanders

Then defeated Victoria

Victorian Team comprised the following.

Bingham, McFarlane, Raitt, Bristow, Stevens, Hamilton, Brown,

Anderson, Shepperd, Davidson, Boniface

Referee.Bede Pratten.

Victoria suffered another defeat at the hands of the South Maitland Association.

The teams were.

South Maitland 6 v Victoria 0

Drill Hall Ground Kurri Kurri

Bingham Bobby Austin Tommy Oliver McFarlane Raitt R. Bower Vanderresh P.Mathieson(1) Stevens A. Creighton Hamilton Jack Avis(Capt) Anderson E. Williams Perce Lennard(2) Brown Shepperd

J.McCroarey(2) Shepperd
R.McNaughton Taylor
Jack Drinkwater(1) Boniface

THE NEW ZEALAND SOCCER FOOTBALL TEAM WAS THE FIRST INTER-NATIONAL SIDE TO VISIT AUSTRALIA

New Zealand won 2 out of 3 matches played here in 1923. Australia wor all Tests in Australia in 1933 and again in New Zealand in 1936.

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Back Row. J. Boyle

Row. H. Spurway. J. Muir. J. Crum. D. Rees. T. Oliver.

3rd Row.W.Johnston, A.Winter.D.Ward.J.Gilmour. Sitting. J. Masters. A. Creighton (Capt) Mr. Cunningham (Mgr)

G. Storey. A. Veigal

Front. D. McLaughlin.

New South Wales also toured Victoria during the year. The team members were

J.Boyle(Corrimal)H.Spurway(Granville)Dan Rees(Wallsend)

Tom Oliver(Weston)W. Johnston(Balgownie)H. Winter(Granville) D. Ward (Balgownie) J. Gilmour (Weston) Judy Masters (Balgownie)

A. Creighton(Capt)Weston)Gil Storey(V.Capt)Balmain Fernleigh)

A. Veigal (Woonona) Di McLaughlin (West Wallsend)

Cunningham (Mgr) South Coast.

Local Representative Matches

Newcastle 3 v South Maitland A. Smith M. Sternbeck H. Maunder

G. Jones

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F. Hayes T.Oliver L. Bailey G. Rowe

A. Lambert A.Creighton(Capt)

W. Smith P. Mathieson T.Coates(1) L. Brown

J. Cameron S. Wells

P. Davidson(1) J. McCroarey R. Urwin(1)

J. Gilmour D. McLaughlin R.McNaughton

Continuing their depressing tour, Victoria then faced NSW in Sydney on 23/6/1923 with the teams being.

New South Wales G. Cartwright G.Gallen Henry Maunder Peter Doyle W. Harrigan Harry Spurway Banks(1) Perce Lennard(1) W"Podge"Maunder(2)

A. Phillips(1)

Titch Thompson

5 v Victoria H. Bingham S.McFarlane G.Raitt F. Hopgood M. Vanderresh J. Hamilton J.Anderson D. Brown

J.Parker(1)

Davidson F. Boniface

Referee J.H.Lester

Queensland Tour

NSW sent a team to Queensland during this year the Chosen players were.

J.Boyle(Corrimal)J.Crum(Pyrmont,Tommy Oliver(Weston) W.Johnston(Balgownie)A.Creighton(capt)Weston)

Harry Spurway(Granville)Dan Rees(Wallsend)

D. Ward (Balgownie) Judy Masters (Balgownie)

J. Sherringway (Sydney) Di McLaughlin (West Wallsend)

J.Muir(Coledale)C.Leadbeater(Granville)Gil Storey(Balmain-Fernleigh) H. Winter (Granville) A. Veigal (Woonona)

Manager.Mr.H.Cunningham(South Coast)

In the first match NSW 3 v Queensland O

The teams were

New South Wales 3 v Queensland J.Boyle

J.Crum T.Oliver W. Johnston A. Creighton H. Spurway

D. Rees

D. Ward J. Masters(2) J. Gilmour(1) D.McLaughlin

Hamilton Routledge Gedge Love White Gibb

Mitchell Clarke Lebetter Botwell Burton

NSW also defeat No teams are av



"JUDY MASTERS."

the second match,

South Maitland Representative Squad - 1923



- 23/6/1923 South Maitland 2 v Victoria O at Kurri Kurri
- 13/6/1923 2 v New Zealand O at Cessnock 3/7/1923 4 v New Zealand 1 at Weston
- B Back Row.G.Williams.T.Oliver.R.Austin.R.Bower.E.Williams.
- 3 3rd Row W. Beaney (Mgr) W. Mathieson. A. Creighton. J. Avis G.Kennedy(Trn)
- 2nd Row.L.Brown.T.Crawford(Ref)J.W.Earp(Ref)R.McNaughton F
- Front Row. P. Lennard. J. McCroarey. J. Gilmour.

NDBFA B-Grade Team which defeated Metropolitan, 3-1, on 4th June, 1923



Back Row.P.J.Sheppard(Sec)G.Reay.E.Richardson.J.Proudlock. P. Dines. J. Catr. A. Partridge. J. Cooper. W. Hughes (L/Man) Fr Front Row. D. McLaren (L/Man) J. Scott. J. Woods. A. Cameron. D. Kaiser. D. Campbell

During the season Newcastle defeated Sydney 3x0 at the Tramway Ground Hamilton.

Newcastle side which defeated Sydney



Back Row.B.Channell(Ref)A.Henderson(Holmesville)

J.H.Bloomfield(Pres)W.Chapman(Capt)Catherine Hill Bay)T.Muir(West Wallsend)J.Parsons(Hamilton)
R.Skillings(Treas)

2nd Row.E. Taylor(North Lambton)W. Sibley(Hamilton)

J.Lowe(Holmesville)W.Erickson(Holmesville)

L.Bailey(Dudley)

Front Row.W.Spruce(New Lambton)Perce Clements(Wallsend)
J.Stewart(Adamstown)W.Fulton(Teralba)



Back Row.P.J.Sheppard(Sec)G.Reay.E.Richardson.J.Proudlock.
P.Dines.J.Carr.A.Partridge.J.Cooper.W.Hughes(L/Man)
Front Row.D.McLaren(L/Nan)J.Scott.J.Woods.A.Cameron.
D.Kaiser.D.Campbell



South Maitland Representative Squad - 1923



23/6/1923 South Maitland 2 v Victoria O at Kurri Kurri
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G.Kennedy(Trn)
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D.Kaiser.D.Campbell

The Chinese Universities British Association Tour of Australia 1923.

The Chinese Football Team now touring Australia plays a special match with the South Maitland representative team to help raise funds for the family's of those men killed in the terrible mine disaster at Bellbird. On September 1923 the day after South Maitland and China had played a 2x2 draw a second match was held at the Abermain Sports ground. This match was for the raising of funds for the Bellbird Mining Appeal Fund. A Special thank you was sent to all players and officials from both sides who generously donated ₹18.19.6 in gate takings to the appeal. The appeal followed a massive underground explosion on the morning of the 1st a September which shook the whole of Bellbird and the surrounding areas. The result was that 21 miners lost their lives.

Those men were. John McLaughlan(Cessnock) John Graber(Bellbird)George Sneddon(Bellbird) George Chapman(Cessnock)John Morgan(Bellbird) Alfred Hynes(Cessnock)Harold Richards(Cessnock) William Griffen(Cessnock)Phillip Roberts(Bellbird) John F Lambert (Cessnock) Morris Hyams (Aberdare) George Robertson Kelly(Cessnock)Charles A Mills(Cessnock) John Stewart(Bellbird)Gordon Locking(Cessnock) Alexander Corns(Cessnock)Frederick Moodie(Cessnock) Malcolm Baillie(Bellbird)William Heartlly(Cessnock) John R Brown (Mine Manager Aberdare Colliery) Frederick Fone(Cessnock) The bodies of the last six men were never recovered because of the dangerous presence of gas and so this section of the mine was sealed for all time. Press reports indicated that over 25.000 people attended this mass funeral.

The South Maitland players who play on this day of fund raising were
Bobby Austin, Tommy Oliver, Les Brown, P. Mathieson, G. Jones, Jack Gilmour, Roy McNaughton, A. Creighton, Hutton, Crowe, R. Bower, Perce Lennard, J. McCroarey, J. Martin.
It is with regret that we do not have the names of the Chinese team nor the officials of that day.
But we say Thanks very much.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, AUGUST 25th 1923 NEWCASTLE SHOWGROUND SECOND TEST MATCH, FOOTBAL

EARLY GAME (RICHARDSON CUP), STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

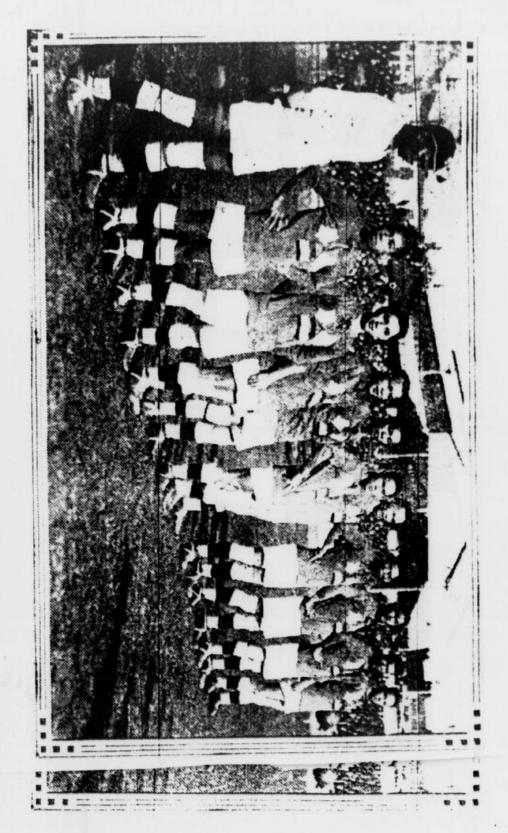
300laroo v. Adamstown A, 1.15 p.m. nission to Ground 1/8. Pay at Stiles Children 9d. Admission to Stand, 1/8 extra. We pay tax. Vice-Consul of China will arrive at Ground, 3 p.m. per Aeroplane From Sydney. PATRONS ARE REQUESTED TO HAVE CORRECT CHANGE

M NEWCASTLE: 11.58 a.m., 12.7 p.m., 12.20 12.37, 12.43, 12.53, 17, 121, 1.37, 13, 148, 153, 1, 2.5, 2.7, 2.23, 2.37 and 2.48. FROM WARATAH, 2.4 p. FROM WEST WALLSEND: 10.48, 10.48, 12.15 p.m., 12.18, 118, and 1.48. SPECIAL TRAMS DIRECT TO GROUND.

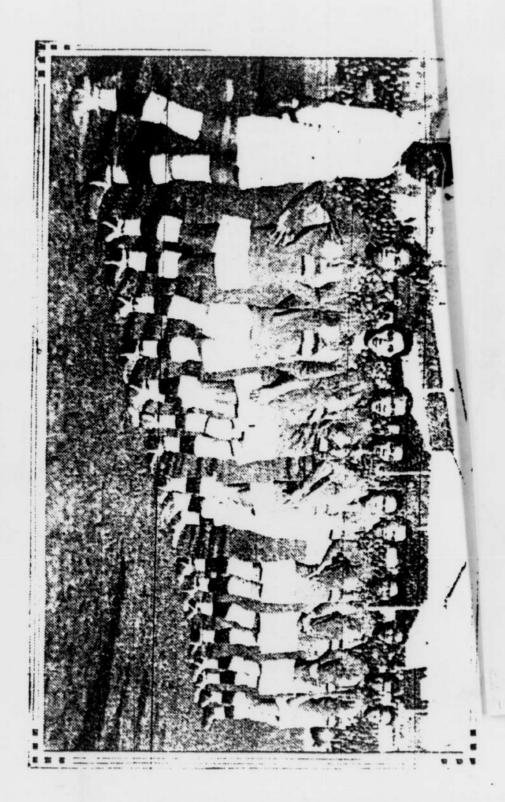
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1923	China	Tour.

	New South Wales	3				(Sydney)	
15/8	Metropolis			China		/	
18/8	Australia(1st Test)	5		China		, -,, ,	
22/8	Granville	2				(Clyde)	
25/8	Australia(2ndTest	4	v			(Newcastle)	
29/8	Newcastle	7	v	China	1	(Newcastle)	
1/9	South Coast	1	v	China	1	(Wollongong)	
3/9	South Maitland	2	v	China	2	(Cessnock)	
8/9	Queensland	1	v			(Brisbane)	
12/9	Ipswich	4	v	China	2	(Ipswich)	
15/9	Australia (3rd Test)	5	v	China	0	(Brisbane)	
19/9	Tamworth	0	v	China	9	(Tamworth)	
22/9	Australia (4th Test)		v	China	3	(Sydney)	
26/9	Metropolis	3	v	China	2	(Harden)	
29/9	Australian X1	2	v	China	0	(Melbourne)	
3/10	Sth Australia	2	v	China	6	(Adelaide)	
5/10	Australia(5th Test)	2	v	China	2	(Adelaide)	
9/10	Victoria	1	v	China	3	(Melbourne)	
12/10	Tasmania	2	v	China	1	(Hobart)	
16/10	South Tasmania	1	v	China	8	(Hobart)	
19/10	Tasmania	1	v	China	4	(Launceston)	
23/10	North Tasmania	0	v	China		(Launceston)	
26/10	Victoria	0				(Melbourne)	
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LAU HING CHEUNG, CHAR KWONG J. IP KAU KO LEUNG TA, FOONG WONG SHUF WAR, NG KAN CHIEN, PAN KAM WING CHAN THE RICH STATE SHAND AND THOSE MORE LINES AND LINES.

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The Chinese Universities British Association Team Tours Australia.

The Chinese Universities team arrived in Australia aboard the Yoshino Maru.

Among those to meet this first ever team from China were Dr Joshua Young Wai, H.M. Numm, Sydney Lowe, G. Chee. C. W. Lee, Otto Kong Sing, T. J. Law and a number of Chinese Ladies. The touring party comprised the following.

Law Hunig Cheung, Pang Kam Wing, Wing Pak Chung,, Wang Cheng Shang, Chan So, Wong Shui Wah, Ip Kan Ko, Shan Kuo Chuen, Li Wai Tong, Chang Hoi En, Lam Yuk Ying, Leung Yuk Tong (Capt) Leung Tai Fong, Kwok Po Kan, Mok Hing (Manager) Mr. H. A. Millard (Organiser)

New South Wales 3 v China 3 Sydney Showground 12/8/1923

G. Cartwright (Balmain Fernleigh)

C.Leadbeater(Granville)

R.Critcher(Corrimal)

Les Bailey(Adamstown)

A. Henderson (Granville)

Jack Avis(Capt)Weston)

Stan Bourke(Granville)

Perce Lennard (Cessnock)

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J.Sherringham(Sydney)
F.Hancock(Balmain Fernleigh)

Frank Mellier-Smith(Sydney)

Referee W.A. Wright

THE SOCCER NEWS.





F. L. MELLIAR-SMITH, the Brilliant St. George Left Winger, who has represented Australia and New South Wales.



1923 5 v China Australia 1st Test. 18/8/1923 (Sydney) J. Hamilton (S/Aust) J. Cameron (S/Aust) T.Oliver(Weston) G.Storey(Balmain Fernleigh) A. Henderson (Granville) H. Spurway (Granville) F.J.Stoner(Tasmania) P. Lennard (Cessnock) J. Masters (Balgownie) F. Hancock (Balmain Fernleigh) F.Mellier-Smith(Sydney) Referee Ern Lukeman

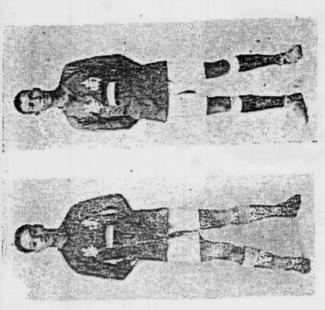
Australia 4 v China 2nd Test Newcastle 25/8/1923 Lau Hing Cheung G.Cartwright(Balmain Fernleigh) Ng Kam Cheun C.Leadbeater(Granville) L. Bailey (Adamstown) Chan So A. Creighton (Weston) Leung Yuk Tong Leung Tai Fong J.Crum(Pyrmont) Wong Shui Wah T.Oliver(Weston) F. Hayes (West Wallsend) Pang Kam Wing W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend) Chang Hsi En Wong Pak Chung J.Masters(Capt)Balgownie) F. Hancock (Balmain Fernleigh) Li Wai Tong F.Mellier-Smith(Sydney) Chan Kwong Iu Referee.Bill Stott. Reserves D.McLaren/B.Pratten Bob Austin(Weston) Would you please note J.Crum(Pyrmont) the first name of the F. Hayes (West Wallsend) Chinese Players is the J. Gilmour (Weston) Surname. H.Maunder(West Wallsend)

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THE CHINESE TEAM IN CHINESE CHARACTERS



Judy Masters(Capt) Leung Yuk Tong(Capt)



Leung Yuk Tong (Capt.)

Worg Pak Chong (V. Capt.)

ADAMSTOWN V. BOOLAROO

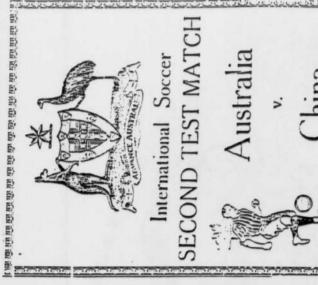
BOOLAROO (Blue and Gold)

Coal H. Hitchcock; Full Backs (1) G. Oughton, (2) C. Roy; Italf Backs (3) W. McBlane, (4) M. Jones, (5) W. Sherwood; Forwards (6) L. Gardiner, (7) T. Kelly, (8) W. Jones, (9) J. Wilson, (10) H. Frith; Emergencies H. Owen, A. Gardiner.

ADAMSTOWN (Red and Green)

Goal, R. Hunter; Full Backs, (1) A. Harris, (2) A. Bow; Half Backs (3) W. McHamara, (4) G. Turabull, (5) J. Bush; Forwards (5) A. Harris, (7) J. Embleton, (8) G. Russell, (9) H. Middleton, (10) H. Dent; Emergencies J. Dunne, H. Sessions.

Referee: Mr J. Sanderson



At Showground, Newcastle N.S.W. SAT., 25th AUGUST, 1923

Adamstown A v. Boolaroo STATE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP Early Match (Richardson Cup)

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 3d.

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Sitting.J.Sanderson(Lines)S.Fourke.P.Lennard.J.Masters(Capt)F.Hancock.F.L.Mellier_Smith.

tour Australia in 1925.

1923 Newcastle Districts 7 v China J.Coutts(West Wallsend) H. Maunder (West Wallsend) F. Hayes (West Wallsend) L.Bailey(Adamstown) A. Lambert (Adamstown) E. Owen (Wallsend) T.Coates(West Wallsend) H.Muir(West Wallsend) D.McLaughlin(West Wallsend) W.Maunder(West Wallsend) R. Urwin (Wallsend) 1 O v China South Maitland R. Austin (Weston) T.Oliver(Weston) G. Jones (Neath) J. Mathieson (Cessnock) J. Martin (Kurri Kurri) R. Bower (Kurri Kurri) R.McNaughton(Cessnock) J.Gilmour(Weston) J.McCroarey(Weston) P. Lennard (Cessnock) L. Brown (Cessnock) Sydney Metropolis 2 4 v China G. Cartwright (Balmain Fernleigh) J.Crum(Balmain Fernleigh) S. Anderson (Pyrmont) J. Fisher (Balmain Fernleigh) A. Henderson (Granville) C. Timms ((Pyrmont) S.Bourke(Granville) A. Phillips (Balmain Fernleigh) H.J.Sherringham(Sydney) F. Hancock (Balmain Fernleigh) F.Mellier-Smith(Sydney) Metropolitan also played China at Harden defeating China 3x2. Would you please note that the first time 3 balls were used in Australia $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +\left$ on the 18/8/1923. Of course ,this idea would not be acceptable to the Manager of the English Professional team that would

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  E. Jarrett
 D. Ward
  J. Masters (Capt)
  C. Jones
 T. Thompson
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J. Hamilton (S. Aust)
C.Leadbeater(Granville)
G. Harris(Q)
J. Love (Q)
A. Henderson (Granville)
H. Spurway (Granville)
S. Bourke (Granville)
P. Lennard (Cessnock)
J.Masters(Balgownie)Capt)
J. Gilmour (Weston)
J. Robertson(Q)
Reserves
Miller(Q)
McBride(Q)
 A. Gibb(Q)
Edwards(Q)
T. Hainsworth (Q)
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G. Harris(Q)
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 A. Henderson (Granville)
H.Spurway(Granville)
 S. Bourke (Granville)
P. Lennard (Cessnock)
J. Masters (Capt) Balgownie)
F. Mellier-Smith(Sydney)
J.Robertson(Q)
                       Referee J.Lester.
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Tramway ground was home of northern soccer

JACK Mathews is ill in Ward 1 at Royal Newcastle Hospital.

IN its 92 years of progress soccer in the North has had a number of boom periods of comparatively limited duration.

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One was in the 1920s and was, perhaps, more significant than those which preceded it since it give a solidity of public support previously lacking in numbers, if not in enthusiasm.

It was the welcome and important but, unfortunately, shortlived era of the Tramway Ground in Hamilton.

The ground, leased on a short term basis and renewed each year from the Department of Public Transport was situated in an area facing Denison St and bounded on its Western length by Lawson St and in the south by Everton St.

It was ideal in every respect to assist in Soccer's march to popularity it had a playing surface that improved week by week and which could be used only hours after the heaviest rain. But, most of all, it was splendidly altuated for its purpose.

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of all, it was spiendidly altuated for its purpose.

It was decided by the Northern It was decided by the Northern District British Football Association, the controlling body of the time, that the most important fixture of each round should be allocated to the Tranway Ground.

That was a wise decision since it meant that, on each Saturday afternoon, the game's best offering was displayed in the best possible setting.

Attendance grew Saturday by

Attendance grew Saturday by Saturday and was as regularly in-creased by the many 'outsiders' — those people without any form of thus affiliation who attended the Tramway' regardless of which

team pluyed. Indeed, many did not know — or care. This I know to be so since my mother and father were part of a group at the ground every Saturday rain, hall or shine. It was not until it was discovered, purely by chance, that one of the star players was the stable lad of some years before at a racing establishment opposite our home in Hubbard St, Islington, whem mother often-fed because she claimed he seemed so poorly, that they identified themselvis with a team.

Poorly or not, the stable lad survived to become one of the finent outside-lefts in the game in this country. His name: D. McLaughlin, of West Wallsend.

After the glad reunion, there was only one team for my parents and their group. It was 'Westy', first and last.

The first match of the 1920 senson at the Transway Ground was between the Adanustown Rosebuda and Hamilton teams, with the renowned and rotund Mr W. Stott as referee. The teams were:

W. Stott as referee. The teams were:

HAMILTON: Daniels, Robson, Williams, Holt, Wood, Burr, Thompson, Fred Watson, 'Yah' Sneddon, Hancock, Woods.

ROSEBUDS: A. Snith, Davies, Gregg, Wilson, Lambert, Poliard, Patterson, Johns, F. Hayes, Doyle, McAllater.

Adamstown won two goals (Johns, Hayes) to one (Sneddon).
The gate for the match was \$172.

It was \$237 for the premiership

The gate for the match was £172. It was £237 for the premiership final at the other end of the season, in which West Waffsend's Hiuebells defeated Adamstown's Rosebuds, three goals to two.

The popularity of the Tramway Ground had increased considerably by the start of the 1921

1923

Player Register for season

Adamstown.

A. Smith D. Williams, W. Stewart, P. Doyle, A. Lambert, L. Bailey, A. Cameron, J. Stewart, J. Bush, Thompson, J. Beddow, D. Bush,

D.McAllister, R. Wilson, H. Johns.

Cwssnock

F.Jones, W.Thomson, G.Williams, T.Durie, R.Lidbury, G.Rowe, E.Williams, P.Lennard, E.See, J.Hannah, E.Hodge, J.Mathieson, R.Lennard, L.Brown, Maloney, Wells, Rennix, R.McNaughton, J.Stewart.

Kurri Kurri

N.Martin, R.Bower, T.O'Brien, R.Henderson, A.Henderson, J.Martin, W.Ashcroft, B.Watson, G.Willetts, S.Wells, W.Orchard, J.Buchan, N.Price, J.McRae, Morton, W.Watson, F.Wilson, A.Tinlin, J.Laird, T.McNabb

Mayfield United

G.Oaten, A.Oaten, Oaten, Morgan, McBeath, W. Hetherington, Britten, Baggs, Morris, Davidson, Hall, W. Thomas, C. Williams, G. Allen, J. Gill, W. Gill, A. Edwards, Gazzard, Foster, E. Wright, G. Bucklow, H. Butcher, E. Brown.

Newcastle-Hamilton

White, Murray, A. Wendt, F. Wendt, Kellett, J. Sneddon, Davidson, A. Martin, Bush, A. Frew, C. Scott, McKenzie, Etheridge, Bott, Davis, Middleton, F. Allan, Morgan, J. Frew, Mullins, Power.

Neath

M.Sterbeck, W.Stoker, G.Jones, W.Hughes, W.Baldwin, Barker, M.Roddom, J.Drinkwater, Hunter, J.Endean, F.Pockett, Campbell, G.Hancock, A.Hinchcliffe, G.Shippen, Jack Wilkinson, Morris T.Shakespeare.

Wallsend

Wal Rushton, Dan Rees, Eric Urwin, Rags Urwin, W. Scott, G. Bower, J. Gilmour, J. Johnstone, Ernie Owen, Yargo Roy, W. Craig, E. Walker, P. Davidson, F. Wills, W. Wells, W. Gibson.

Weston

Bobby Austin, Tommy Oliver, J. Penman, Jack Avis, A. Creighton J. Liddle, Dick Austin, Jack Gilmour, J. Bates, A. Lloyd, J. McCroarey, W. Derricott, Rodgers, J. Gallagher, H. Adams, J. Grant, J. Mather, G. Richardson, T. Kelly, W. Gibson

West Wallsend

Jack Coutts, R. Craig, J. Pickhard, Clarrie Coutts, H. James, G. Ross, J. Shields, W. Drysdale, Tommy Coates, Tommy Sinclair, F. Hayes, Les Brown, J. Hodge, S. Woods, W. Smith, Frank Coolahan, H. Muir, Henry Maunder, William "Podge" Maunder, Di McLaughlin, J. Muir Dick Sneddon, J. Hancock.

Newcastle team vs Sydney - 1923



Back Row.A.A.Stirling(Pres)J.Sanderson(Ref)
C.Kempser(Hamilton)J.Parson (New Lambton)
Joe Wardle(Wallsend)Pattison(Holmesville)
M.Jones(Broadmeadow)Davidson(Wallsend)
Oughton(Broadmeadow)R.Skillings(Treas)

H.H.Winley(V.Pres)
Front Row.Hunold(Dudley)Connelly(Wallsend)
W.Erickson(Holmesville)R.Paddock(Holmesville)
E.Spruce(New Lambton)

Northern District British Football Association.

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C. EDMUNDS.

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Auditor:

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A. A. Stirling, 11. Winley, S. Bush, J. Durie, W. Rushton, R. Smith, R. J. Skillings and P. J. Sheppard.

Selection Committees:

SENIOR: ' A. A. Stirling, F. Craig, H. Winley, W. Stott and R. J. Skillings.

JUNION: R. J. Skillings, L. Glichrist, W. Shipp, J. Durie and .. P. J. Sheppard.

Delegale to N.S.W. Asstn.:

L. B. TAMLYN.

N. D. B. F. A.

ANNUAL REPORT.

Gentlemen,-

. It is with pleasure that your Executive desires to submit for your consideration and adoption the Annual Report for Season 1923.

In doing so, we desire to thank the Delegates to the Council meetings, also the Committees, for their loyal support during the year.

PROGRESS.

The progress that has marked the previous seasons was again in evidence during Season 1923. 69,847 persons paid for admission into Association Grounds, which is proof that the "game" is growing in the public favour.

COMPETITIONS.

An increase in the number of teams entered in the various Grades was again noted, seventy teams taking part, with a registered membership of 1,385 players. District football was the system adopted, and met with general satisfaction.

In the Senior Grade, nine teams entered-Adamstown, Cosmock, Kurri Kurri, Mayfield United, Neath, Newcastle-Hamilton, Wallsend, West Wallsend and Weston.

Neath was a new team from the Maitland area, Newcastle Hamilton being last year's Newcastle City team. The remaining teams were in existence last season.

The Ellis Cup Premiership was again won by Wallsend, who finished one point shead of Adamstown, and for the second year in succession became Senior Premiers.

The Senior Trophies were won by Weston, who defeated Adamstown

The Second Grade Competition attracted six teams - Adamstown, Killingworth, Mayfield, Newcastle-Hamilton, Wallsend and West Wallsend.

Killingworth won the Middleton Cup, and for the second year became Senior Grade Premiers.

West Wallsend, by defeating Killingworth, secured the trophies.

A (Third) Grade Competition drew ten teams. Holmesville secured the Premiership and Lyall Cup, whilst New Lambton reteived the trophies by defeating Boolaroo in the final, after playing a two all draw.

In the Fourth Grade Competition, eighteen teams entered, and were divided into two divisions. Premiers of each division to receive a Cup, and the two leading teams in each division to play a Knock Out Semi-Final and Final.

Adamstown Rosebuds were the "A" Division Premiers, and received the Scott's Cup. Newcastle-Hamilton were "B" Division Premiers, and received the Bryant Cup. Adamstown Rosebuds, by defeating Teralha in the final, received the trophies.

B Grade (under 18), fourteen teams competed. West Wallsond, who had an undefeated record, won the new Wills Cup, and later won the trophies by defeating Adamstown in the final, thus winning the Premiership and Medals.

C Grade (under 16).—Thirteen teams entered. Adamstown secured the Premiership, and thus received the Howard Cup, whilst Merewether were victorious over Adamstown in the trophy final, and thus secured the medals.

SCHOOLS.

The Schools' Soccer Competition was again conducted and three grades were pinyed; Mr. McDonald being the Hon. Secretary. The District was divided into two divisions as in the previous year; thirty-two teams taking part. Adamstown were successful in winning the A grade Cup and Trophies for the second year in succession; Plattsburg were successful in the B Grade, and West Wallsend succeeding in winning the C Grade.

The Queensland Schoolbovs played a selected Schools Eleven on the Transway Ground, and the visitors were victorious by three goals to one.

Inter-district School games were played. Two Metropolitan teams. A and B Grade, visited Newcastle and opposed the local Schools' heat. The A Grade was won by Newcastle—three goals to two, and the Met's won the B Grade—two goals to one.

Every assistance has been freely given by the parent body to foster the code throughout the Schools of the district, and the Secretary of the Schools' Association has forwarded to the N.D.B.F.A. the thanks and appreciation of the Teachers and Scholars for the assistance rendered to the Schools' Association.

Financial assistance has been given towards entertaining visiting

Grounds have been found for School Matches and three set of trophies were awarded to the winning teams by the N. D. B. F. A.

MARIST BROS.

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The Marist Bros. School conducted a colour Soccer Competition. Six teams competed. The Reds were successful in winning the Mick Simmons'. Cup, the Blue and Gold winning the trophies. Both cup and trophics were donated by the parent Association.

Bro. Camillus, who carried out the Secretarial duties, was a keen Soccer enthusiast, and his interest in the code was of valuable assistance to the competition

The thanks of the Marist Bros. School was accorded the N.D.B.F.A. for the assistance rendered during the year.

KERR CUP (Northern Championship)

This Competition was confined to Northern teams only, nine entries being received. Cessnock were successful in winning the Kerr Cup and trophies, defeating Wallsend in the final.

Good football was produced during this Competition.

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GARDINER CUP (Stale Championship).

New South Wales again controlled this event. Large entries were received. Eight teams from the North entered. West Wallsend won the Cup and Trophies, defeating Sydney after two drawn games had been played.

RICHARDSON CUP (State Junior Championship).

Sixteen teams from Newcastle entered for this event. Two teams reached the semi-final. New Lambton won their way into the final by defeating Boolaroo, but were defeated by Cessnock in the final.

INTER DOMINION, INTER-STATE and INTERNATIONAL MATCHES.

During the senson a New Zealand combination visited Newcastle and opposed a selected Newcastle Eleven on the Tramway Ground, Newcastle winning two goals to nil.

The Seniors from the Maitland area also defeated New Zealand; one goal to nil, at Cessnock Ground.

The Victorian Representatives were defeated by Newcastle's selected at Tramway Ground. The Maitland Senior Representatives also defeated the Victorians at Kurri Ground.

Chinese Matches. - The Chinese Touring Team were defeated by Newcastle's selected eleven; also by Maitland's selected.

TEST MATCHES.

The first Soccer Test Match played in Newcastle took place on Newcastle Show Ground on June 30th, when Australia was defeated by New Zenland four goals to one.

In the Test Match Australia v. China, which was also played on the Show Ground. Australia was victorious by four goals to three. The nttendance at this match was a record for any football match played in Newcastle. Newcastle.

INTER-DISTRICT JUNIOR GAMES.

Sydney. Metropolitan Juniors A and B grade teams were defeated in Newcastle by the local selected elevens, and Newcastle again defeated Mets. at Primsose Park. Treasurer R. J. Skillings was manager of teams that visited Sydney.

GROUNDS.

The Trainway Ground was again the chief official playing ground, and was in use for the full season.

Newcastle Show Ground was procured on three ucclasions, while Young Wallsend and Weston were also utilised for Association games.

The Tramway Ground, on account of the dry season, cut up hadly, but improvements have been made during the summer months whereby the Tramway playing area will rank among the best in the district. Over 250 tons of best soil has been put on the playing area. The turf has made good growth, and when the season commences the ground will be in good playing order. The final payment on the stand has been made, and it is now free of debt. and it is now free of debt

Young Wallsend ground has also been paid off, and a 7ft hardwood fence has been erected around the ground.

Weston. During the sesson Weston ground was officially used on a number of occasions, and the Association appreciates the generosity of the Weston Club in allowing the Association the use of the ground.

New Ground.—Every endeavour has been made to procure a ground of our own, but up to the present our efforts have not met with success.

REFEREES, ASSOCIATION.

The Referees' Association, under the leadership of Mr. II. Winley (President), J. Durie (Secretary), and W. Kidd (Treasurer), has rendered valuable assistance. With the advancement of the code a larger membership of this branch of the Association is required to efficiently control all matches.

FINANCE.

The receipts for the year—which we regard as magnificent—total £4031/1/3; gate receipts being £4231/11/-, an increase over last year in gate money of £1856/14/1. The expenditure totals £4284/4/-, leaving a credit unlance of £346/17/3, the principal items of expenditure being £200 paid off stand, £307/5/- fencing Young Wallsend, £102/15/- advertising, £200/1/6 rent, £160/6/6 medals, £310/6/8 taxation, £420/18/9 percentages and allowances to clubs, £929/14/1 was paid to N.S.W. Association, and £908/14/1 to Australian Tours Ltd.; improvements to ground east £128/14/8.

The Auditor, Magnus Cromarty, Esq., estimates the Association's assets at £2,374 13s 9d, being £740 4s 3d increase on last year. The amount of £229 16s 10d was paid to Clubs as percentages—Senior Clubs receiving £174 18s 4d, Junior Clubs receiving £54 18 6d. These amounts are exclusive of Travelling Allowance, which amounts to £191 is 11d.

The percentages to Clubs has proved to be of valuable assistance to Clubs (especially those Clubs who were unable to take a gate), and it is worthy of note that the Junior Clubs have benefited to a great extent.

MANAGEMENT.

During the early part of the year your Management underwent a Sumber of changes—Mr. Bloomfield resigning Presidency, succeeded by Mr. Tamlyn, who resigned, Mr. Howard being elected. He also resigned and Mr. A. A. Stirling was elected and has continued in office. Messrs. J. Kidd and J. Dodds also resigned and were supplanted by Messrs. R. R. Smith and J. Durie. During the year 38 Ordinary and 9 Special Meetings were held, the attendances being as follows:—A. A. Stirling (President) 35; R. J. Skillings' (Treasurer) 41; P. J. Sheppard (Secretary) 47; S. Bush. 43; R. Smith, 35; W. Rushton, 31; J. Durie. 32; H. Winley, 23; J. Kidd, 9; J. Dodds, 8; S. Howard, 6; J. H. Bloomfield, 3; L. B. Tamlyn, 3.

1924 Season
Patron.H.J.Connell(MLA)
President.A.A.Stirling
Vice President.W.Stott
Secretary.P.J.Shepperd
Assist Secretary..A.Jack.
Treasurer.R.J.Skillings.

Management Committee.
J.Mills,S.Bush,A.Stewart,J.Durie,

Entries for the 1924 season.
Senior Teams.
Adamstown, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Mayfield United,
Neath, New Lambton, Wallsend Rovers, West Wallsend, Weston.

3rd Grade
Adamstown, Barnsley, Boolaroo, Dudley, Holmesville, Minmi,
Killingsworth, Islington, Mayfield United, New Lambton.
Merewether Advance, Wallsend Rovers, West Wallsend,
Young Wallsend, Teralba.

4th Grade
Awaba, Barnsley, Boolaroo, Broadmeadow, Adamstown, Cardiff,
Hamilton, Jesmond, New Lambton, Teralba, Catherine Hill Bay.
Wallsend Rovers, Fernleigh, Holmesville, Wakefield, Rhondda,
Swansea, Wallsend Mazeppas.

Newcastle Registered Referee's
J.Sanderson, J. Durie, W. Shipp. Charlie Nix, J. Filby, J. Hughes,
Bede Pratten, S. Smith, A. Jack, J. Gill, A. Wright, H. Williams
W. Middleton, J. Biddlecomb, A. Bucklow, Joe Bartley, John Bartley,
W. Kidd, G. Broadbent, D. McLaren, F. Watson, S. Broadbent,
R. Roberts, A. Rizzolli, P. Shepperd, B. Lane,

South Maitland Entries

2nd Grade Abermain, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Kearsley, Neath, Weston.

3rd Grade Abermain, Bellbird, Cessnock West End, Kurri Kurri, Sawyers Gully.

4th Grade
Aberdare, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Cessnock West End,
North End, Kearsley, Greta, Maitland, Mulbring, Sawyers Gully.

South Maitland Registered Referee's Endean, Halliday, Earp, Stewart, Crawford, F. Jennings, Field, Hicks, Robertson, Shaw, Victor.

Player Register
Adamstown
A.Smith, Elgey, Hunter, J. Beddow, W. Stewart, A. Lambert,
L. Bailey, P. Doyle, J. Stewart, G. Coates, A. Dunne, H. Johns,
G"Massa"Russell, Alec Cameron, J. Bush, E. Gilbert.

Cessnock
J. Hannah, G. Williams, W. Thomson, H. Wilson, G. Slarks, G. Rowe,
E. Williams, P. Lennard, J. Murdock, G. Williams, R. McNaughton
T. Durie, J. Harden, E. See, E. Hodge.

Kurri Kurri
G.Goodwin, Martin, R.Bower, G.Jones, F.Wilson, A.Tinlin
J.Laird, A.Phillips, W.Foley, N.Price, S.Wells, J.McRae,
Simons, T.McNabb, W.Bennett, G.Willetts, Starks

Mayfield United Shene, Wilkinson, Davidson, Baggs, Merrion, Norris, W. Gill, A. Frew, Martin, Brown, F. Oaten, Tolhurst, McBeath, Davis, J. Gill.

New Lambton
J.Arthur, P. Jordan, G. Oughton, Lovell, Parsons, J. Martin,
A. Wendt, D. Morgan, B. Morgan, Lewis, Thorpe, Blair, J. Stewart
V. Turnbull, G. Turnbull, E. Bow, H. Winley, Boundy, McAllister

Neath
Merv Sternbeck, G. Rennix, Juno, Baldwin, Bates, Sherrick,
F. Pockett, J. Drinkwater, Hancock, Hume, Jack Shakespeare,
Roddom, Strang, Strang, Hartley, Stoker, Hughes.

Wallsend
G.Bower, R. Hughes, Eric Urwin, Rags Urwin, Keith Urwin,
Fred Scott, Perce Moore, Ernie Owen, W. Craig, P. Davidson
Danny Rees, Jimmy Johnstone, F. Wills, Bob Lidbury,
Drysdale, W. Gibson, Druery.

West Wallsend
Jack Coutts, H. James, Henry Maunder, Frank Coolahan
Clarrie Coutts, W. Smith, H. Muir, Les Brown, Frank Hayes,
W. Erickson, William "Podge" Maunder, Tommy Sinclair,
Tommy Coates, G. Ross, Di McLaughlin.

Weston
Bobby Austin, Tommy Oliver, J. Grant, A. Liddle, A. Mathieson
J. Farrey, Tate, J. McCroarey, Jack Gilmour, Jack Avis,
Richardson, A. Lambert, W. Donald, Gallagher.

1924

New South Wales 3 v Queensland 2

Sydney

E. Aitchison (Granville)

J.Coombie(Granville)
Henry Maunder(West Wallsend)
W.Johnston(Balgownie)
J.Mitchell(South Coast)

Jimmy Johnstone (Wallsend)

J.Burns(Sydney)

D. Ward (Balgownie)

E.Williams(1)Cessnock)

J.Gilmour(2)Weston)

F. Ramsay (Granville)

South Coast V.Williams(2)

2 v Queensland Koroff(1) Bright(1)

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H. MOSHER.

Right Back: T. OLIVER (Westen) Left Back: WILLIAMS (Cessnock)

G. ANDERSON, M. McLEAN.

Full Backs:

Half Backs:
R. DURIE (Cossnock), STARKS
(Cessnock), BOWER (Kurni Kurri)

G. DIERSON. R. HARLEY.

R. STOBBART.

Half Backs:

C. WILLIAMS (Gesnock), FOLEY (Kurri), McGROARY (Weston), GIL-MORE (Weston), McNAUGHTON (Cessnock).

WILSON, J. HOOD, F. BOWMAN.

G. FORREST, W. LINNING, J.

Forwards:

Roserves:
Goal: JONES (Kearsley; Half-Back:
WILSON (Kurri), AVIS (Weston);
Forwards: DRINKWATER (Neath)..

Referee: N. SHAW.

Linesmen: G. ENDEAN, J. JENNINGS

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1924 Blis Cup	Adamstows	Cessnock -	Kurei Kurri	Mayfield	Neath	New Earnbions	Wallsend	Weston	West Walisend
Adamstown	x	2-0, 0-0	2-1, 1-2	4-0, W/F	3-1, 1-0	5-2, 1-2	0-0, 0-1	3-2, 5-4	0-3. 0-1
Cessnock	0-2, 0-0	X	2-0, 1-0	5-1, 5-1	1-1, 2-1	4-1, 2-0	3-0, 2-2	0-1, 3-2	3-2, 1-0
Kurri Kurri	1-2, 2-1	0-2, 0-1	X	1-3, W/F	4-2, 0-2	2-0, 6-1	1-2, 1-3	2-1, 3-2	1-2, 2-3
Mayfield	0-4, L/F	1-5, 1-5	3-1, L/F	X	2-1, 0-4	0-1, 1-2	0-2, L/F	2-6, L/F	1-25, L/F
Neath	1-3, 0-1	1-1, 1-2	2-4, 2-0	1-2, 4-0	x	0-0, 0-0,	1-2, 0-0	1-3, 1-1	0-4, 0-3
New Lambton	2-5, 2-1	1-4, 0-2	0-2, 1-6,	1-0, 2-1	0-0, 0-0	х	0-2, 2-2	5-2, 0-1	1-3, 0-2
Wallsend	0-0, 1-0	0-3, 2-2	2-1, 3-1	2-0, W/F	2-1, 0-0,	2-0, 2-2	x	6-4, 3-2	1-1, 1-0
Weston	2-3, 4-5	1-0, 2-3	1-2, 2-3	6-2, W/F	3-1, 1-1	2-5, 1-0	4-6, 2-3	x	2-1, 0-3
West Wallsend	3-0, 1-0	2-3, 0-1	2-1, 3-2	25-1, W/F	4-0, 3-0	3-1, 2-0	1-1, 0-1	1-2, 3-0	

The Point score read.
Wallsend(25)Cessnock(25)West Wallsend(23)Adamstown(20)
Kurri Kurri(14)Weston(13)New Lambton(11)Neath(9)

Play Off For Final (Premiership

Wallsend 2 v Cessnock
G.Bower J.Hannah
Eric Urwin G.Williams
Rags Urwin W.Thomson
W.Scott H.Wilson
P.Moore G.Starkes
Ernie Owen D.Harden
W.Craig E.Williams

Mayfield(4)

W.Craig E.Williams
P.Davidson Perce Lennard
Dan Rees J.Murdock
Jimmy Johnstone C.Williams
W.Wills Roy McNaughton



Wallsend Premiers.Back Row.P.Moore,K.Urwin,J.Gilmour, G.Bower,R.Urwin,W.Craig,J.Johnstone. Front Row.E.Urwin,E.Owen,D.Rees,W.Scott,P.Davidson, Absent,W.Wills.

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G.Williams		Rags Urwin		
W.Thomson		Dan Rees		
G.Rowe		Ernie Owen		
G.Slarkes		Perce Moore		
H.Wilson		Jimmy Johnstone	9	
E.Williams		Keith Urwin		
P.Lennard		Eric Urwin		1
C.Williams		W.Scott		
A.Thomson		P. Davidson		
R.McNaughton		F.W.Wills		
	Referee	J.Nicholson		
Replay			1	
Wallsend	2	v Cessnock	1	
Bower		J. Hannah		
Dan Rees		G.Williams		
Ernie Owen		W. Thomson		
Perce Moore		G.Rowe		
Jimmy Johnstone		G.Slarkes		
Keith Urwin		H.Wilson		
W.Scott(2)(E.Williams		
P.Davidson		P.Lennard		
Eric Urwin		E.Hodge(1)		
Rags Urwin		A. Thomson		
W.Craig		R.McNaughton .Nicholson		
K e	ereree J	.Nicholson		
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West Wallsend		v Adamstown	1	
Jack Coutts	-	A.Smith		
H.James				
l.James Henry Maunder		J.Beddow W.Stewart		
Frank Coolahan(1)				
Clarrie Coutts		L.Bailey		
Smith		Art Lambert		
Les Brown		Peter Doyle		
V. Erickson		Alec Cameron		
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W. MAUNDERS. Newcastle's Champion.

Final at the Tramway Ground 1924 8th November 1 v Wallsend West Wallsend Jack Coutts Bower Rags Urwin Henry Maunder Danny Rees H. James Frank Coolahan Ernie Owen W. Smith Perce Moore Clarrie Coutts Jimmy Johnstone Keith Urwin Frank Hayes H.Muir W."Podge"Maunder(1) Eric Urwin W.Scott P.Davidson W. Erickson W.Craig(1) Di McLaughlin Les Brown Tommy Sinclair

Referee Charlie Nix(Adamstown)

Replay West Wallsend 3 v Wallsend 1 Jack Coutts Bower Rags Urwin Henry Maunder H. James Danny Rees Ernie Owen Frank Coolahan Perce Moore W. Smith Jimmy Johnstone Clarrie Coutts(1) Frank Hayes Keith Urwin Eric Urwin H. Muir W.Scott W"Podge"Maunder(1) L.Brown(1) P. Davidson Di McLaughlin W.Craig(1)

Referee A.E.Court(Sydney)

 49 It is interesting to note that in a Premiership match on the 16th August West Wallsend defeated Mayfield 25x1 (25 goals to 1)

The scorers for Westy. were
H.Muir(6)Tommy Sinclair(5)Podge Maunder(4)
W.Erickson(4)Di McLaughlin(2)Les Brown(1) Frank Hayes(1)
Frank Coolahan(1)H.James(1)

Mayfield goal was scored by W.Gill.

1924 Season	Van	C	p us		
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Semi Final					
Adamstown		4	v	Weston	0
Final Kerr Cup.					
West Wallsend		3	v	Adamstown	1
Jack Coutts				A.Smith	
H.Muir				J.Beddow	
Henry Maunder				W.Stewart	
Frank Coolahan				L.Bailey	
Clarrie Coutts				Art Lambert	
W.Smith				Peter Doyle	
G.Ross				Alec Cameron	
Les Brown				J.Bush	
W"Podge"Maunder(2)				G"Massa"Russell(1)	
West Wallsend Jack Coutts H.Muir Henry Maunder Frank Coolahan Clarrie Coutts W.Smith G.Ross Les Brown W"Podge"Maunder(2) W.Erickson Di McLaughlin(1)				E.Bush	
Di McLaughlin(1)				A.Dunne	
Refe	eree	A.E.C	ou	rt(Sydney)	

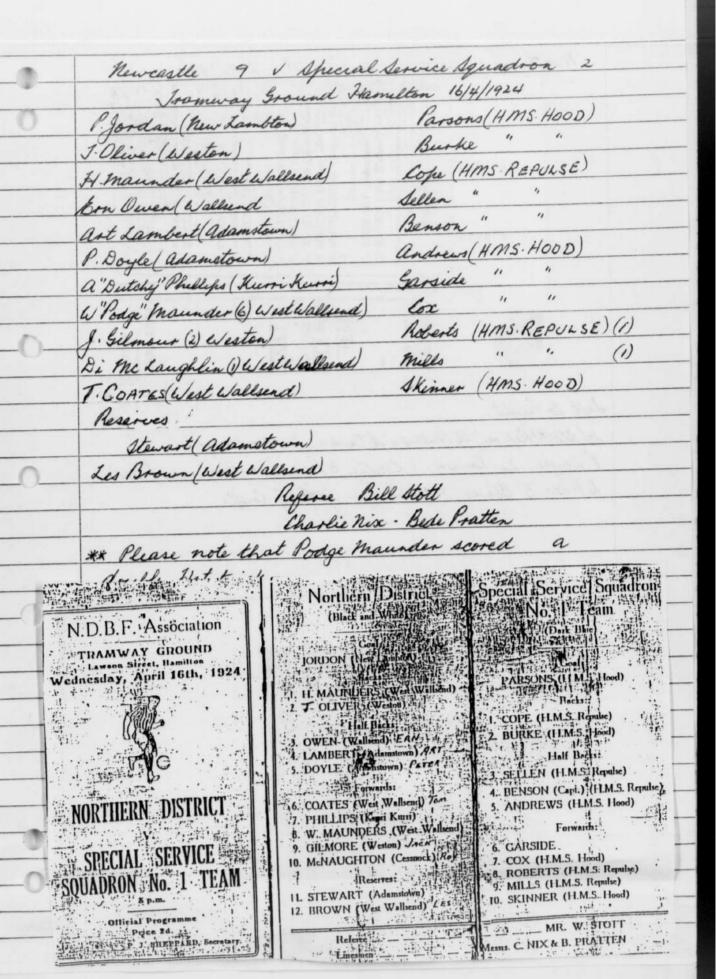
Stevenson Cup Final
On the Coalfields, there was a major upset in the final of this season's Stevenson Cup.
Second division Kearsley defeated it's near neighbour Neath 3x1 in the final.

Newcastle Referee's At this stage the number of certificated Referee's in Newcastle was 41.

South Maitland Referee's On the Coalfields the number of registered referee's total was 22.

Northern District v Queensland 21/6/1924 Newcastle 3 v Queensland Jack Coutts(West Wallsend) A.Bryant .Bower(Kurri Kurri) A.Burns Henry Maunder (West Wallsend) E. Rigby Ernie Owen(Wallsend) J. Williams G. Rowe (Cessnock) C.Shenton G.Coates(Adamstown) E. Nunn A.Phillips(Kurri Kurri) W.Mitchell Peter Doyle(Adamstown)
W"Podge"Maunder(West Wallsend) E.Rumble E.Bright Les Brown(West Wallsend) J.Stevenson A.Williams Di McLaughlin(West Wallsend) Dan Rees (Wallsend) Referee Bill Stott

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	J. Oliver (Westen) Burke " "
	H-maunder (West Wallsend) Lope (HMS REPURSE)
	Kon Owen (Wallsend Sellen " "
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	P. Doyle (adamstown) andrews (HMS. HOOD)
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0	J. Gilmour (2) Weston Roberts (HMS. REPULSE) (1)
	Di Mc Laughlin () West Wallsend Mills " " (1)
	T. COATES (West Wallsend) Skinner (4MS. 4000)
	Reserves
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	Charlie Nix - Bede Pratten
	** Please note that Podge Maunder scored a
	double Hat trick.
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northern Districts V Queensland 21/6/1924



Left to Right. W Stott (Referee) a Phillips, to Owen, Di Mc Laughlin P. Doyle, Les Brown, I. Coates, & Rowe, W maunder (Capt) D Rees G. Bower, It Mounder, Joseph J. Coutts.



The Queensland Team. 1924

D. Todd, E. Rigby, E. M. Stevenson.
L. Proud, W. Thomas, A. Murray, J. B. Bryant, Z. Korotcoff, C. M. Shenton, E. Nunn.
J. Williams, E. Bright, J. S. Hildreth (Manager). A. Burns.
E. Rumble:
A. Williams, D. Mitchell.

The N.D.B.F. Association

NORTHERN DISTRICTS DEFEAT QUEENSLAND.

By Full Back.

Queensland visited Newcastle last week end, and had a most en-joyable time. On Friday they were given a civic reception by the Mayor of Newcastle, Alder-man R. G. Kilgour, who heartily welcomed the Bananalanders. Mr. Welcomed the Banananders.
A. A. Stirling, President, and Mr.
P. J. Sheppard, Secretary of N.D.
B.F.A., and W. Maunder, captain
of the Northern team, also bid
the visitors welcome. Mr. Hilthe visitors welcome. Mr. Hildreth, manager, and Mr. E. Bright. captain, suitably responded on be-half of the Queenslanders.

After the game the visitors and the Newcastle team were the guests of the Northern Association at a dinner and smoke concert at Way's Cafe. Mr. A. A. Stirling presided, and the toast of the King. and proposed

Mr. L. Tamlyn proposed the toast of N.S.W. Association.
Mr. J. H. Bloomfield responded on behalf of the N.S.W. Association. Alderman C. Ellis proposed the Queensland Association.
Mr. Hildreth, in responding, thanked the Newcastle people for their glorious welcome and made special mention of the very sports. special mention of the very sports-manlike action of W. Maunder, skipper of Newcastles, who had suggested a substitute when Bry ant had to leave the field in the second half. Mr. R. Martin, an ex-president, proposed the N.D. B.F.A. Mr. Stirling responded.

B.F.A. Mr. Stirling responded. Mr. R. Skillings proposed kin-dred sports; Alderman Kilgour, of Newcastle, "Bowlers," eid, "Australian Rules." Mr. Reid, "Australian Ru Mr. W. Shepherd, "Cricket," sponded. Mayor

Ellis presented Owen with Alderman Gibson's gold medal for the best player in the Newcastle v Canada match.

BROADMEADOW DEFEAT NEW LAMBTON.

The early game at the Tram-way was the Richardson Cup fixture-Broadmeadow v New Lambton. In the first half New Lamb-ton had the better of the play, but their forwards were weak in front of goal. The first score fell to Broadmeadow when Hender-son, on the left wing, after a great piece of individual play, sent in a high cross which Dyas headed into the net. Watherston

should have evened the but missed a giorious chance. In the second half he made a good run in the centre, and beating run in the centre, and beating both backs, made the scores level. Rogers regained the lead for "Meadow," and then Virtue further increased the score. New Lambton thus drop out of the running for the State champion-

Hamilton and Balmain schools met on the Tramway Ground, and an even contest the game ended in a scoreless draw

Criticism of the Players

Criticism of the Players.
W. Mitchell, Queensland's right winger, paid a fine tribute to the play of George Rowe, the Cessnock left half. Rowe proved his worth at left half. H. Maunder was very safe at full back; Rowe and Owen were the best halves. Les Brown was the best forward, and gave McLaughlan plenty of work to do. work to do.

W. Maunder played a fine game. His shots at goal being well di-rected, and it was only Bryant's excellent keeping that kept the core from being much larger. Dutchy" Phillips combined well, and made some fine openings for his colleagues. G. Coates was not a success at right wing. Nunn. at left half for Queensland, hav-ing no difficulty in holding him. Both goalies played a fine game. Bryant had most work, and received much applause. was very safe.

GARDINER CUP.

Weston Defeat New Lambton.

The only fixture played (apart from the representative match), was the re-played Gardiner Cup was the re-played Gardiner Cup between New Lambton and Wes-ton. Cessnock was the battle-ground. Weston added the knock-out to New Lambton, scoring 3 goals to nil. McCroary (2), and Wigham were the scorers. Fisti-cuffs were engaged in, Oliver and McAllister receiving their marching orders. Both offenders and Austin have been reported by referee, and will appear at next meeting of the committee.

On Monday a full round of fix-tures were played. Two Richard-son Cups were played on the

Tramway. Cardiff defeated Hamilton 5—1. A protest on overage player was entered by Hamiland the birth certificate of the player in question is required

before the decision is given. Rovers entered round No. 3 by defeating Swansea 4 goals to nii. Walker, Garaty, Treay, and Murnain were the scorers.

WALLSEND DEFEAT MAY-FIELD.

Wallsend still retained their position at the head of the table by defeating Mayfield 3 goals to 1. A gale was blowing when the teams took the field. Mayfield at once attacked, and Woolley scored once attacked, and Woolley scored with a low shot, from the kick out Wells received, and his shot hit the bar. Keith Urwin returned the ball, and Tolhurst brought off a wonderful save. Craig equalised with a shot that Mayfield's goalle should have saved, the ball beauend investee. the ball bounced into the net.
Craig scored again before halftime, when the scores were Wallsend 2, Mayfield 1.
Wells netted Wallsend's third

goal, and the play became very tame, the game ending—Wallsend Mayfield 1.

Wallsend are the only undereated senior team, and appear to have a mortgage on the Cup. It successful in retaining the Cup. will be the hat-trick for the Bolshies.

Cessnock defeated Kurri 3 goals cessnock defeated Kurri 3 goats to 1. Harden (2) and E. Williams (1) were the players responsible for the victory. Foley scored Kurri's only goal. Cessnock are in a handy position on the competition table, and have only suffered one defeat, and that the hands of Adamstown. They at the hands of Adamstown. They will visit Wallsend next week. will visit Wallsend next week. and a win will make their chances rosy.

Weston repeated the dose on New Lambton, but only after a New Lambton, but only after a very hard game, with New Lambton doing a great deal of the attacking. McCroary scored the only goal of the game, which gave Weston the victory. Spruce failed to convert a penalty for the los-

Weston are still "whipping ia" on the competition table.

Northern District British Football Association

SOCCER

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR SEASON 1924.

Submitted to the Members at the Annual General Meeting, held at the Trades Hall, Newcastle, on Saturday, 28th February 1925, at 7.15 p.m. Gentlemen.

Another year has been numbered with the Past, and your Executive have much pleasure in submitting this, the Annual Report, covering the Season 1924, for your very careful consideration and adoption.

In doing so, we desire to thank the Delegates to the Council Meetings, also the various Committees for their careful consideration of all matters that were placed before them and their Hearty Co-operation, during the

PROGRESS

The Progress of the previous years have been well maintained and particularly was this in evidence on the Tramway Ground, during the latter part of the Season.

64.120 persons paid for admission into Association Grounds and of this total 48.172 attended the Tramway Ground, which proves what a wonderful asset an association ground is to the bode.

Seventy five Teams entered in the various grades, being an increase of Five teams over the previous year. The Registered membership being 1,392 players.

In the Senior Grade, Nine Teams entered, Adamstown; Cessnock, Kurri, Mayfield, Neath, New Lambton, Wallsend, West Wallsend and Weston.

New Lambton was a new team, the remaining teams being the same as the previous year.

Newcastle Hamilton failed to raise a Senior Eleven

Wallsend again finished premiers and secured the Ellis Cup and hold same for the Third Year in Succession. Cessnock and Wallsend finished with 25 points each and played off. Wallsend wining 2 Goals to 1.

The Senior Trophies were secured by West Wallsend who defeated Wallsend in the final. 3 Goals to 1 after a 1 all Draw had been played.

FOURTH GRADE (A. Division Table)

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Boolaroo .		9		. 5	*	2	1	2	. 16	10	11:	12
New Lambton		. 9	1	4	**	3		2	19	1	14	+ 10
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Hamilton		9		2		4	17	3	12	4.5	17	. 7
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FOURTH GRADE (B. Division Table)

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Adamstown						16	19	7
Dudley ·	8				5	5	24 .	5
Mazeppas				9	?	13	14	. , 2
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The Under 18 or B. Grade which drew 17 Teams were also run in two divisions for the first round, the 3 Leaders in each division then played a round and the two leaders played off for the Trophies.

West Wallsend were th Premiers and for the Second Year in Succession secured the Wills Cup.

Adamstown secured the trophies, by defeating West Wallsend in the final.

This Competition was productive of the finest football of all the Junior Grades.

Competition Table of Second Round as follows:

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Adamstown	5 7 3	2	9. 6
Rovers	5 2	2 1 1 1	174 MEC 5
Broadmeadow	5 311	3 1	7 9 3
Newtown	5 77.0	5 0 . 2	22 0

The under 16 (or C. Grade) also attracted 15 Teams and two divisions were conducted in this competition, the two leading teams in each division to play knock out Semi-final and final. Winner of Final to receive both Cup and Medals.

West Wallsend met Kia-Ora in the final and were; victorious and secured both Howard Cup and Medals.

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Merewether	12	9	2	. 1	33	6	19	
Cardiff	12	8	4	. 0	22	14	16	
New Lambton	12	7	1	·	20	10	16	
Hamilton	12	4	7 :		20	! ?	13	
Demillon	12	-	. 1		19	14	15	
Lambton	12	2	9	: 1	20	34	5	
Broadmeadow	12	0	12	0	5	41.)	
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Kia-Ora	14	13	0	1	59	6	27	4
West Wallsend	14	6	2	4	39	16	20	
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Young Wallsend	14	8	5	i	10	30	17	
Catherine Hill Bay	. 14 .	1		1	16	34	1,	
Boolaroo	14	1	10	6	22	37	3	
Swanses	17	7	10	9	44	42	3	
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Summerhill	14	2	10	2	10	45	5	
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KERR CUP (Northern Senior Championship)

For this Competition which was restricted to the Northern Teams, only Eleven Teams entered. Mayfield however withdrew.

West Wallsend by defeating Adamstown in the final 3 Goals to I secured both the Kerr Cup and Medals.

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CUP (Northern Junior Champ'ship)

This Competition which was conducted for the first time was restricted to N.D.B.F.A. Junior Teams attracted 24 Entries.

West Wallsend defeated Adamstown in the final and ; secured the Cup and Medals.

GARDINER CUP (State Championship)

New South Wales again controlled this event and Nine Teams from this Association entered. West Wallsend for the Second year in Succession won the Cup and Trophies, by defeating Woonoons in the final 3 goals to nil

RICHARDSON CUP (State Junior Championship)

12 Teams from Newcastle entered in this event.

West Wallsend won both Cup and Medals by defeating Woonoona Park 5 to 1.

SCHOOLS SOCCER

The Schools Soccer Competition was again conducted in three Grades. Mr. McDonald was Hon. Secretary.

The Entries Totalled Thirty Three Teams which was an increase of six over the previous year.

Central Won the A. and B. Grade, whilst Plattsburg Secured the C. Grade Trophies. Three Representatives from Newcastle Schools were selected for the State and both Morris and Parker acquitted themselves creditedly and were highly complimented by the Manager of the N.S.W. Schools Team on their fine performances in the other States.

Every assistance has been freely given by the Parent body to foster the Soccer Code in the Schools of the District, and letters of thanks have been received for assistance to the Schools Association.

Financial Assistance has been given towards defraying the Expenses of the School Boy Representatives.

Three sets of Medals were awarded the winning teams.

Grounds have been made available and where possible Referees have been appointed to control the Cames.

A Shield has also been donated to the P.S.A.A.A. for Competition Annually. Newcastle High School being the winning School for 1924.

MARIST BROS. COMPETITION .

The Marist Bros School again conducted a colour Competition, Six Teams competed.

Reds were successful in winning the Trophies Donated by the N.D.B.F.A. and Blue and Gold Secured the Cup.

The Association is in receipt of a letter of thanks from the Principal of the Marist Bros., School for the Assistance rendered during the year

INTERSTATE & INTERNATIONAL FIXTURES

During the Season The Canadian Combination visited Newcastle and were opposed to a Newcastle Team.

The game ended in a Draw I all.

The Seniors from the Maitland area also drew I all with the visitors and in a return match were defeated I Goal to Nil.

The Fourth Test Match of the Tour was played on the Newcastle Show Ground and a Scoreless Draw resulted.

West Wallsend were given a Mid Week Match against the visitors and defeated them 3 Goals to Nil.

The Queensland Representatives were defeated by a Newcastle Eleven, 3 Goals to Nil.

It is with regret that we have to report that the Inter District Junior Games did not eventuate. Every endeavour was made by your Association to arrange the games but the Metropolitan body were unwilling for the continuance of the fixtures.

GROUNDS

The Tramway Ground was again the Chief Official Ground and was in use for the full Season.

The Newcastle Sports Ground and Show Ground used once for International Matches.

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MANAGEMENT

The Committee met weekly. Thirty fve meetings were held and the attendances was as follows: A.A.Sterling. (President) 33, R.G., Skillings. (Tressurer) 32, P.J. Sheppard (Secretary) 35, J. Durie 33, S. Bush 31, J. Mills 30, A. Stewart 27 and W. Stott 12. All the Committee endeavoured to give of their best in the interest of the code and gave their divisions with-out fear or favour.

CHARITY

£31/15/- was donated to charity. Newcastle Ambulance Newcastle and Wallsend Hospitals and Cheimsford Institute benefiting. Letters were also received from Salvation Army & the above Instituous for assistance during the year.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the winning Teams we offer you our best congratu-lations on your success during the season 1924 and to the losing Teams we wish you success in the coming season.

SOCCER NEWS

During the past season arrangements were made for "Soccer News" to be had locally each Saturday and the venture was a success. With a local "Soccer News" a venture was a success. With a local "Soccer News" a greater success could be attained and more local news could be published.

INSURANCE FUND

At the commencement of the year an Insurance Fund discontinued and the amount paid in by clubs was re-funded

THANKS

We desire to thank the firm of Sherwin-Williams for their generosity in donating Sherwin - Williams Cup

for competition.

To all Club Secretaries, Committees, Players and Referees we desire to express our thanks and appreciation for their heaty support and co-operation.

The Groundsman performed his duties in a very capable manner and the Public & Players were loud in their praises of the keeping of the ground.

Our thanks are also due to the press and to all who assisted the Committee in the discharging of their duties.

CONCLUSION

With the prospect of an English Team visiting our shores in the coming season and the standard of football improving the Season about to be entered on should be the best in the That every Club will endeavor to Foster the game in their own particular area is the earnest wish of

Yours faithfully.

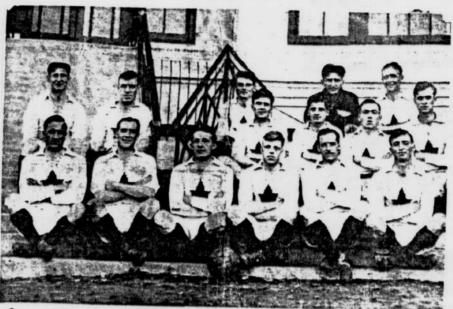
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Metropolitan	6 v	**	2 (Sydney)
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Art Lambert (Adamstown)

Harry Speway (Granville)

Stan Bourke (Granville)(1)

Dave Ward (Balgownie)

Judy Masters (Lapt Balgownie)(2)

J. Mellier-Smith (Lydney)(1)

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of Weston Club, Newcastle.



Gilbert Storey, the Balmain half-back, showing good form this season.



Frank Gallen, the Pocket Hercules from Balmain.

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The N.D.B.F. Association

NEWCASTLE AND CANADA

PLAY A ONE-ALL DRAW.

By Full Back.

The first Soccer match played on the Newcastle Sports Ground eventuated on Saturday, and about 6000 people were present to witness the match.

Canada played in blue jerseys and the Newcastle Eleven played in the Association Black and

White.
W. Maunders, who skipped Newcastle, won the toss, and Wilson kicked off for Canada.

Canada at once attacked, and Linning shot. Stewart clearing. Coates raced away on the right wing, passed to Cameron, who kicked behind.

Canada again took a hand, and Canada again took a hand, and Forest sent in a stinger. Coutts, fisted out, only to be shot in again. H. Maunders clearing. Canada playing with great combination, kept up the attack, and a hot shot by Dierden was stopped by Coutts, who succeeded in getting the ball away at the second attempt. Forest, on the right wing, was giving Doyle a merry time, repeatedly beating "Peter" for the ball. The first score went to the credit of the visitors. The ball was put from Stobbart to Bowman, who centred. Wilson secured and sent to Forrest, who sent to Bowman, who can towards the corner, tricked Owen, and passed back to Stobbart, who sent in a lightning shot which landed in the corner of the net. Canada 1; Newcastle 0. Canada kept up the attack, Lambert clearing. Harley scored, but was robbed by Owen, who sent to W. Maunders, on to Urwin, back to Maunders, who sent into goal following on fast. Mosher, however, just best Maunders for the ball, and saved his goal. Halftime arrived, with the score—Canada, 1; Newcastle, 0.

The Second Half.

In the second half Newcastle played better football, but the half back line of Canada was too solid. Coutts was called upon to make a number of saves, and he acquitted himself well.

Harley was playing a great game, and served his forwards well, placing the ball nicely to his front line. The game was drawing to a close, and a number of spectators were leaving, satisfied that Newcastle had met their Waterloo, but the unexpected happened. Owen started the movement; he sent to W. Maunders, on to Cameron, out to Coates, who



REFEREE STOTT.

raced up the right wing and centred. W. Maunders secured. Mosher advanced, but the ball went into the corner of the net. The ball was placed in centre, and kicked off, and the final whistle sounded, and Newcastle emerged from the contest with a draw.

For the visitors the half backs did best. Both backs played well. Mosher in goals was in good form. He is a live wire, always on the move, and goes well out for the ball.

In the forward line Forest stands out as the best; his shots having plenty of power behind them.

For the Newcastle Eleven Jack Coutts in goal, and Hen Maunders on backs did well. Hen had a day out and proved he was worthy of his selection.

Fido Stewart played weil the dirst twenty minutes, but fell away. Owen, who was given the medal for the best player, was easily the best half back. Lambert should not have taken the field, his injured ankle not being able to withstand the strain; he left the field 20 minutes before full time. Peter Doyle was up against the star forward of the team, and appeared not to play up to his form, but Forest would make any half back look small with some of his footwork.

Of the forwards Cameron played well, and should not be disappointed with his first appearance in big football. Tommy Coates although not at his best, put over some good centres, and from one of his "few" the equalising goa" was scored. "Podge" Maunders did not take any risks, but played a fine game. Urwin, Sinclair never got going, and were off.

Referee W. Stott handled the game well, and was freely congratulated by the visitors on his control of the game.

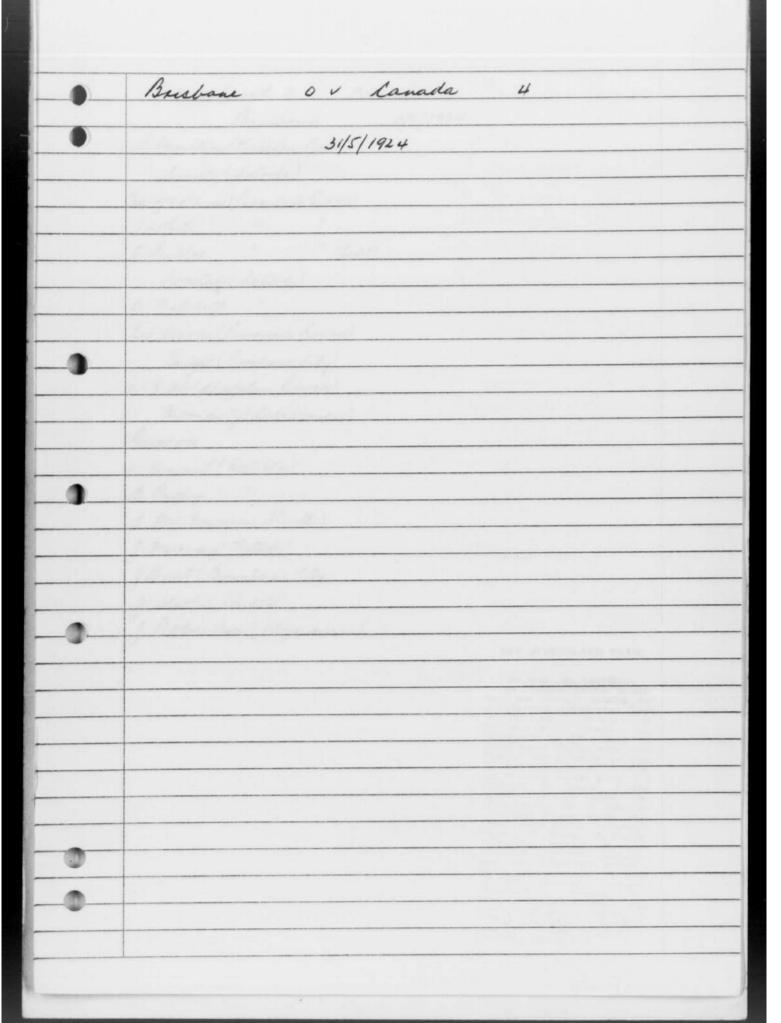
The early match was provided by Islington and West Wallsend in the Richardson Cup, 1st round, and resulted in a draw—2 goals each. Kaiser and Richardson for Westy, and Horne and Brown for Islington were the scorers. Newcastle Side vs Canada (24th May, 1924)

Back Row.W.Stott(Ref)S.Bush(Com)A.Lambert,T.Coates,
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Maitland played the better game in the first half, Williams. McGroary, Gilmore, McNaughton, and Oliver showing to advantage. The first-named headed into the net, after a nice combined effort which he had initiated. In the second half the Canadian had matters all their own way, Harley Stebhard, Forest and Linning he-Stebbard. Forest and Linning being the stars. Forest was awarded the medal presented to the bes ed the medal presented to the besplayer of the twenty-two. The selection was entrusted by the South Maitland B.F. Association to Mr. S. Storey, Hon. Sec. of the State Association.

Linning, the Canadian's insideright, played also a great game. He scored the equalising goal after a great effort, and was heartily applauded. Canada again proved that it is going to be r ily applauded. Canada aga proved that it is going to be hard nut to crack in the tests. It must be remembered that three forwards, Sanford, Chapman and Ford will be playing in the tests They are at present resting on the line, recovering from injuries re ceived in Australia.



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AUSTRALIA. 2ND TEST. 14/6/1924 1924



Front Row: W. Faulkner (Tasmania), F. Gallen (N.S.W.), T. Thompson (N.S.W.).

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West Wallsend Seniors met Neath on the former's ground on Monday, in the Ellis Cup, and the Blues ran out winners to nil. West Wallsend were without H. and D. Maunder, D. McLaughlan, and W. Smith, but had good substitutes in Hayes, Erickson, Ross and James.

West Wallsend had much the better of the game, and only the splendid work of Sternbeck in goal kept a big score from being made. Hurhes, (Neath) was injured in the first half, and had to leave the field, McCabe taking his place. In the early game West Wallsend v Young Wallsend C Grade, played a scoreless draw.

Kurri Kurri North End Club—Results Saturday, June 21st: Kurri North End 4th grade team met Kurri Juniors (4th) on North End ground, and after a fast played game Kurri Juniors won 5 to 3. Kurri North End under 18 was de-feated by Weston 6 to nil. Kurri North End under 16 defeated Neath 1—0. Kurri North End under 14 defeated

Kurri North End under 14 defeated Weston 14 after a well-contested game

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This team is an undefeated team so far this season, having six wins to its credit, and one draw. The drawn game was with Kurri Juniors 14, and they also are undefeated, and both teams are hard nots to crack.

Kurri Kurri seconds were defeated by Kearsley, at Kearsley, on Saturday, by 4—2. This is Kurri's first defeat, which goes to show that Kearsley must be the goods, as Kurri are pretty strong.

SWANSEA CLUE

SWANSEA CLUE

In "Soccer News" of June 14th, Lewis was credited with having scored the only goal of the game, when Swansea defeated Jesmond. (Cocky) Robinson was the player who was responsible for the win, not Lewis. Swansea Club is controlled by a management committee consisting of Messrs. A. Payne, W. Chapman, W. Norman, C. Stewart, A. Bucham, H. Lovett (captain), W. Lewis and T. McDougall. Rules are formed and are enforced. An insurance fund is also run for the benefit of disabled players.

.. Soccerites will be pleased to hear that E. Crittendell, who was injured on the Tramway, is doing well.

Complete tables of points up to June. 21st are inserted in this issue. Will clubs please forward results of matches in to Hon. Secretary of Association as early as possible, especially where no official referee is in attendance.

UNDEFEATED TEAMS

Eight junior teams have not suffered defeat up to date. Some wonderful goal averages are also noticeable. Merewether under 18 with 51 against 4 being very prominent: also in the Under 16. Merewether and Kia Ora have had only one goal scored against them for the season.

In the fourth grade, which is nearly completed, the ultimate winner of the Con is still in doubt, and the last game will count. One very pleasant feature of this competition is not one forfeit is recorded.

In the B Division Wakefield, who only entered last season, are the Cup winners,

and will hold the Bryant Cup for season 1924-25. Congratulations, Wakefield, on your performances.

UNDER 18, OR E GRADE

The three leading teams in each division will play one round (not a knock-out) for the Cup, and the two leaders play off for the trophies.

UNDER 16. OR C GRADE

This grade is playing a second round, and the two leaders on points will play off for the trophies. Merewether have gained the maximum amount of points.

PROTESTS

This week has been a record for pro-tests, no less than four being received, and with players ordered off by referees, the Committee are in for a busy time next meeting.

NEXT SATURDAY

West Wallsend play Weston in Gard-iner Cup at Tramway Ground, Saturday, July 5th.

NOT A SAFETY MATCH

Bryant, the Queensland goalkeeper, was injured at Newcastle. Bryant of Bryant and May, the matchless goalkeeper, was struck on the box, but was not blown out.

Marist Brothers' School, Red v Blue and Gold; score 1—nil in favor of Red. Scorer, F. Pickin. Blue and White v Green, score 2—nil in favor of Blue and White. Scorer, Tom Francis 2.

Black and White v Cerise and Blue, ore 1-1.

F. Colligan scored off a penalty for Black and White. W. Walters played well for Cerise and Blue, and scored.

For the first two games a strong wind was blowing, thus play was more strenu-ous than usual.

Blue and White are leading in the competition, having 6 points.

. PREMIERSHIP TABLE (SENIOR)

	1	11.	1.	D	F	A	Pts
Wallsend	8	5	0	- 3	20	12	13
	53	6	2	1	20	7	13
	7	13	1	- 23	12	. 9	- 9
Adamstown .	- 8	4	3	1	18	- 9	- 6
New Lambton	6	2	11	11	6	7	- 6
Neath	8	1	4	3	10	16	
P. C. Control	7	- 22	5	- 0	12	17	4
	7	9	5	0	- 8	18	- 4
	 6	1	4	1	19	15	

PREMIERSHIP TABLE (3rd Grade)

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		P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Rovers		6	6	0	0	19	0	12
Killingworth	7	7		1	1	15	H	11
Islington		- 7	4	11	1	13	H	- 6
Dudley		7	4	12	1	11	13	- 6
Boolaroo		8	3	-	- 3	16	10	- 5
Adamstown .		6	3 3 3 3 3 3	ī	12	13	11	8
Holmesville .		7	3	4	2	14	10	8
Minmi		7	- 11	0	- 3	11	- 8	77
Teralba		8	- 5	3	- 11	12	20	7
West Wallsend		6	- 9	2	2	6	. 5	
Swansea		7	- 1	- 12	4	13	- 0	- 6
Barnsley		8	0	4	2	9	10	- 6
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New Lambton	****	7	1	6	()	4		- 1
Mayfield		7	0	7	0	4	28	

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Fourth Grade B Division Goals

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Wakefield	8	7	0	1	31	6	1.5
Fernleigh	7	5	1	1	16	3	11
Cath, Hill Bay	7	5	0	1	18	14	10
Holmesville	7	4	2	1	12	9	9
Dudley	7	3	4	0	5	24	6
Adamstown	7	12	4	1	11	16	. 5
Swanses	7	13	41	0.	. 0	15	4
Mazeppas	7	1	- 6	- (1)	10		2
Bhowlein	7	1	6	.0	1	18	5

Under 18 A Division Goals

		10	W	L	D.	F	A	Pis
Merewether .		7	15	0	2	51	4	12
New Lambton		- 6	5	0	1	34	2	11
Broadmeadow		-7	5	1	1	25	- 6	11
Jesmond		8	5	3	0	38	21	10
Newtown		- 5	3	2	0	13	14	6
Kia-Ora	- 4	6	11	4	0	9	18	4
Hamilton Me		7	22	3	0	18	33	4
Mayfield		7	1	- 6	0	- 6	54	9
Stockton Met		7	0	7	0	5	47	0

Under 18 (B) Division Goals

	P	W	L	D	F	Λ	Pts
W. Wallsend	7	6	0	1	25	5	13
Adamstown	7	4	0	3	15	8	11
Rovers	7	5	0	- 0	11	8	10
Dudley	7	4		1	2	7	. 0
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Under 16 A Division

Merewether .	-	5	5	0	0	16	1	10	
Cardiff		7	5	2	0	15	. 59	10	
New Lambton	- 53	7	4	13	0	16	10	. 8	
Adamstown .		6	4	0	0	12	11	- 8	
Hamilton .		6	3	3	0	11	9	6	
Lambton		6	1	5	0	7	18	- 2	
Broadmeadow	-	7	0	7	()	3	55	0	

Under 16 B Division

Kia-Ora	7	6	0	1	21	- 1	13
Teralba	N	5	2	1	11	- 5	11
Y. Wallsend	R	5	3	0	13	9	10
W. Wallsend	8	4	- 12	. 0	20	11	10
Cath. Hill Bay	- 8	3	3	12	12	15	- 8
	R	0	5	1	8	12	- 5
Boolaroo	8	0	6	0	10	19	. 4
Summer Hill	7	0	6	1	6	29	1

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The N.D.B.F. Association

FOURTH TEST MATCH PLAYED IN THE RAIN.

By Full Back.

A Scoreless Draw.

Last Saturday will be long remembered by Newcastle Soccerites as one of the hardest games in the history of the game in the North was fought out between Australia and Canada, in the tourth Test. The day broke show-ery in the district, but cleared as the day advanced, and by the time of the kick-off in the Test the

weather was glorious.

A very large crowd was present at the match, which was played on the Show Ground at Broadmeadow. In the original selection were J. Masters, H. Spurway, and S. Bourke who falled to appear. It is noted that both Spurway & Bourke both took the field with their club on that day. w. Maunder, the West Wallsend crack centre, took Master's place, D. Ward, of Balgownie, going inside right, and Cec. Williams outside right. George Rowe, of Cessnock, was left half.

W. Maunder led Australia and west the took from Harley. Line

won the toss from Harley. Lin-ning kicked off against a slight breeze. The game opened very fast, both ends being visited. Di-saster came early to Canada, as Chapman was injured in a collis-ion, and was carried off, but later for, and was carried off, but later returned. Stobbart, playing great football, was feeding his forwards well. From a great cross from Ford, H. Maunder cfeared. Then H. Maunder was injured as a Canadian player got under him as he went up to head a ball, and gave him a nasty snill. Gilmore he went up to head a ball, and gave him a nasty spill. Gilmore receiving from Storey, headed to McNaughton, who headed back to Gilmore, but McLean blocked his final shot. Canada were penalised just outside the penalty area for hands against Harley. Gilmore taking the kind seat in nore taking the kick, sent in a hard shot, which Mosher knocked round the post—a great save. Several of the Canadians seemed to have a set against (ii Storey, and seek time they were been seen to have a set against (ii Storey, and seek time they were been seek time they were been seen time. and each time they were beaten by him he appeared to have epithets hurled at him, but they seemed to have no effect on him seemed to have no effect on him as he played a great game, and continually beat the inside for-wards. H. Maunders and Oliver also defended well. Cartwright had little to do in the first half, which ended with the score sheet blank. A downpour of rain ap-

peared as the players left the field. Rain was still falling heavthe ily when the teams again lined up, and the going was very slip-pery. Stobbart beat Owen, and sent across to Forrest, but Oliver cleared. Ward next was worked into good position by W. Maunder. and put weakly past the goal. Harley was playing well, and giv-ing the ball to Linning, but both backs had his measure. head was doing great Storey's work in stopping the Canadian attack, and he was giving Gilmore plenty of work. McNaughton was beating Dierden often, but his crosses were going past the goal instead of heins square. of being square. Gilmore, on several occasions, beat man after erai occasions, beat man after man, but held on too long and lost the ball. One of his shots just grazed the bar. He failed badly to pass into centre. Maunder changed his team, Ward going outside right. Maunder inside, and Williams centre, but it was not effective. Ward appeared was not effective. Ward appeared was not effective. Ward appeared to be the weak link. Near the end Cartwright was severely tested by Linning, but saved brilliantly on both occasions. At the other end Mosher fell when at the contract of the same of the sa nantly on both occasions. At the other end Mosher fell when attempting to clear. Gilmore had an open goal, but failed to kick straight. Cartwright went down on a ball in saving, and Stobbart put his arms round him rugby fashion, and was penalised. The

fashion, and was penalised. The game ended in a scoreless draw.

For Australia, Storey played a beautiful game, ably supported by both backs. Cartwright was in his best form. W. Maunder was well watched by Harley, and allowed no scope, although the inside forwards felled. anowed no scope, although the inside forwards failed to give him any support. Gilmore was very tricky, but was too selfish. The other forwards did not play up to their club standard, Ward be-

ing particularly weak.
The Canadian der

The Canadian defence was great, Stobbart being the star, ably supported by Harley, McLean and Anderson defended well. The forwards were weak in attack, Linning sending in only a couple of dangerous shots: the others never looked like scoring. Mr. J. Nicholson did well as referee, as he had a hard game to handle. He fully justified the confidence of his many admirers. The early game was the Richardson Cup tie, Boadmeadow y defence

West Wallsend. In the first name Westy had the wind and missed chances galore, Richardson missing golden opportunities, trying to boot too hard instead of placing the ball into the net. The first half was scoreless. Broad-West Wallsend. In the first half first half was scoreless. Broad-meadow was the first to score. Hanlon sending in from the wing: the ball hit the bar and bounced into goal. Henderson, however, making it a certainty. West Wallsend drew level within a minute, D. Kaiser accepting James' cross and beating Jordan, netted with a fine shot. Kaiser again scored after a fine run, beating Price, Jordan and Watt, and then putting into the net, giving Westy the lead, which was held to the finish. C. Watt played a fine game for Broadmeadow at full back, his kicking being very clean. Hanlon and Henderson, on the wings, crossed well, but the inside forwards failed to take opportunities. For the winners, Proudlock, Duck, D. Kaiser, and James were best. The "Blues" James were best. lack a good centre.

West Wallsend 3 V lanada 29/6/1924

J. Coutts	H. Noseworthy
Hayes	G. anderson
H. Maunder	In the Lean
F Coolahan	F. Dierden
l Louts	R Harley
W Smith	R. Stobbart
J. Coates	9. Forrest
Crickson	W Linning
W"Podge" Maunder (3)	J. Wilson
J. Linclair	2 Ford
L. Brown	J. Bowman

* * Please note West Wallsend represented newcastle

WEST WALLSEND DEPEATS
CANADA.

There was a great crowd when teamslined up as follows:—
Canada: Noseworthy, Anderson, McLean, Deardan, Harley, Stobbart, Porest,
Linning, Wilson, Ford, Bowman,
West Wallsend; Coutts, Hayes, Coolshan, Coutts, Smith, Coates, Erickson,
Maunder, Sinclair, Brown.

Maunder, Sinclair, Brown.

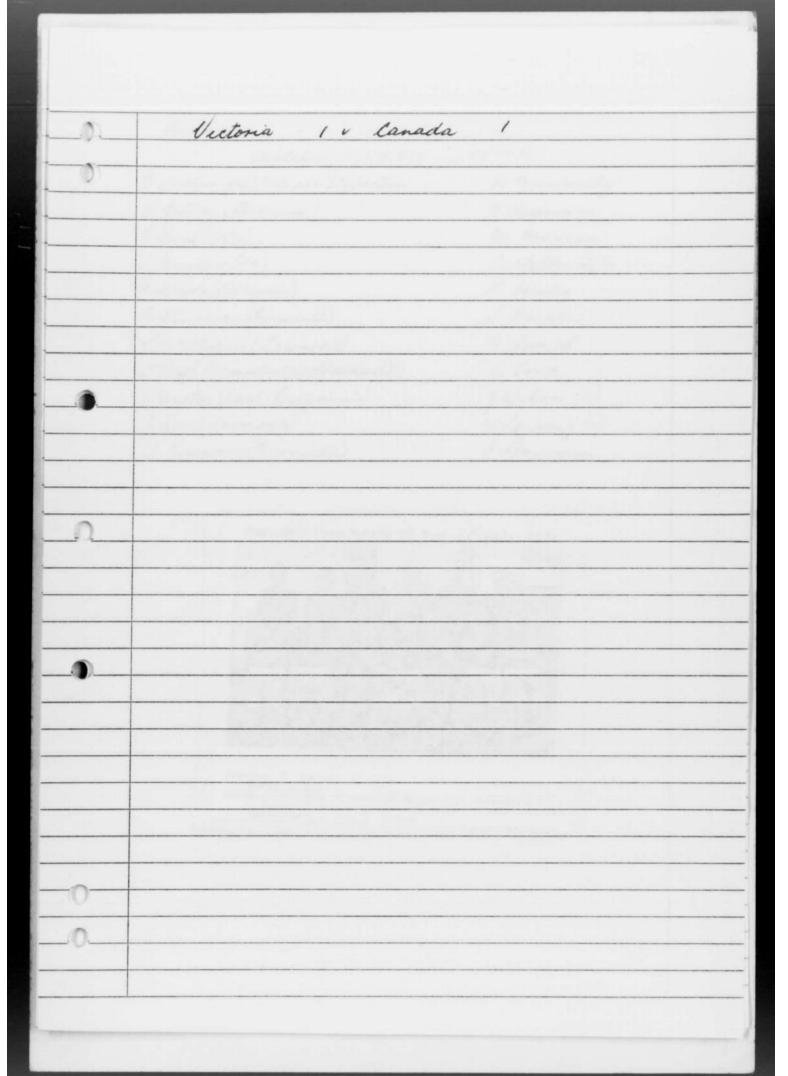
Maunder won the toss, and Wilson set
the ball rolling. West Wallsend werewithout James, who had to stand down
owing to a bereavement in the family.
Canada were the first to attack, but did
not do any damage. H. Mannder gaveaway a corner, which was easily cleared.
Brown next got away on the wing, but
put behind; even play followed, till
Maunder, beating Linning, sent to Coates,
who was beaten by Stobbart. W. W.
were having the beat of the play. Brown
broke through, and Deardon tackled with
elhows, but Referce failed to see it.
Brown next had a shot from the wing,
and Noseworthy caught and cleared.
Coates was sending over great crosses,
but Canada's defence held. Stobbart
next had a pot from a long way out,
which went past. Porest next secured
a corner from Coutts, who tipped over
the bar. Sinclair cleared. Smith next
caused a thrill which nearly caused a
score. Smith beat several men, and
sent ahead to Maunder, who was on the
point of scoring when he was knocked
off the ball. Canada cleared, and Coutts
had to save from Stobbart. Erickson
was winded from the bounce. W. W.
attacked. Coates shot well, McLean
saved. Sinclair next shot hard from
close in, but his shot was blocked. W.W.
were having the best of the game. Canada
attacked, Harley sending to Forest, whosent on a fast grounder, which Coutts
well saved, and gave a corner, which
was cleared.

Half-time arrived and score was blank. Maunder started the second half, and W.W. had the best of the play. Soobbart was penalised for bumping C. Coutts. W.W. had the best of the play. Stobshot hard, McLean saving, and Erickson put the rebound behind. Coates next secured from Coutts, and centreing behind the backs; W. Maunder running in put past Noseworthy. W.W. 1-nil. Wilson was penalised for elbowing, and H. Maunder put to W. Maunder, to Sinclair, who shot into Noseworthy's hands. W.W. keeping up the attack, Anderson handled just outside the area. H. Maunders and Noseworthy put the resultant corner kiek behind. Brown's kiek went over the bar, W.W. keeping Canada on the defence. Erickson sent to Sinclair, who sent past the backs, and W. Maunder racing ahead, beat Anderson and McLean, and put past Noseworthy on to the net. W.W. 2. Canada nil. From the kiek off Canada tried hard. From a brilliant passing rush by Canada Porest getting a fine pass, and shooting hard. Coutts brought off a wonderful save. Brown next took down the wing, and beating Deardan sent to centre. Anderson elearing. Coutts, in goal, was here applauded for good work.

Deardan next fouled in the penalty area, and from the kick H. Maunder hit the post, the ball going behind. Linning was injured, and left the field. Wilson beat Coolahan, and sent across to the right. Smith beat Forest, and cleared to Brown, but Deardan headed out. Forest was getting plenty of work, but Smith was tackling well. Erickson took down wing, and centred to W. Maunder, who shot hard. Noseworthy saved a certain score by diving. The score was added to in the last minute. Erickson placed nicely to Maunder, and Noseworthy ran out, but Maunder beat him, and scored in an empty goal. 3—nill. Full time: West Wallsend thus won by I goals to nill.

The early game was played between Newcastle Tramways and Rozelle. The latter won by 6 goals to 1. Newcastle were never in it. Rozelle forwards were too clever for the locals. This win gives Rozelle a three point lead on Newcastle, and puts them well in the running for the Cup and medals.

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H Spurway (Granvelle)	J. Dierden
C. Williams (Lesinock)	9 Forrest
W "Podge" Maunder (West Wallsend) (1)	L ford
I Masters (Lapt) Balgowine)	J Walson (2)
J. Dro (Lennock)	W. Lenning (1)
J. Ramsay (Granvelle)	J. Bowman
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Australian Team for the 5th Test vs Canada - 1924



Standing: H. Spurway, F. Gallen, T. Briston, G. Cartwright, G. Storey, G. Raitt.

Sitting: C. Williams, W. Maunder, E. Lukeman (Secretary C.F.A.),
J. Masters (Capt.), W. Beilis (Hon. Secretary South Australian
Association), J. Orr, F. Ramsay.

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TOM OLIVER—FOOTBALLER.

Jam Oliver, of Weston, is what I term a footballer, as he excels just as well in the forwards as in the backs. As far as he is concerned, Tom prefers the front rank, but the club selectors say otherwise, and now hedgures on the defence. His first appearance against New Zealand did not impressed authorized form showed him up in a silght.

Tem toured Queensland in 1922, and put in classy displays, but his best was reserved to the first and second Test matches against China, when his defending was a resolution. Unavailable for the third and fourth Tests, Oliver's next appearance was in Melbourne in the exhibition game against than, and he eventually journeyed to Adelian to put up a shashing game in the fifth these far in deals that even kicked a hell

Northern District British Football Association. (SOCCER)

ANNUAL REPORT

Submitted to the Members at the Annual General Meeting, held at the Trades Hall, Newcastle, on Saturday, 27th February, 1926, at 7.15 p.m.

Your Executive have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for Season 1925 for your careful consideration and adoption. In doing so we again desire to thank the Delegates to Council meetings, committees and Officials and Members of the various clubs for their loyal support and hearty co-operation during the year.

PROGRESS.

The popularity of the code still continues to progress and attendances were very satisfactory during the season. Over 61,000 persons paid for admission into the Association; grounds, whilst the attendances at the various club grounds were greatly increased on previous seasons.

COMPETITIONS. - Seventy-eight teams-entered the various grades, being an increase of three over the previous season.

an increase of three over the property totalled 1552 players. In the Senior Grade, nine teams entered, viz: Adamstown, Newcastle, Nenth. Cossnock, Kurri, New Lambton, Wallsend, Weston and West Wallsend, Newcastle were a Manifold who failed to raise a Senior

Wallsend, Weston and West Wallsend Newcastle were a new team replacing Mayfield, who failed to raise a Senior Eleven. The remaining eight teams competed the previous year. West Wallsend, who gained 28 points were premiers and secured the Ellis Cup. The Senior Trophies were won by Cessnock, who defeated Adamstown in the final by two goals to one.

The Reserve Grade was instituted for the first time and five teams entered, Wallsend finished Premiers on 14 points and secured the Middleton Cun. West Wallsend won the trophies by defeating Wallsend in the final, one goal to nil.

The Third or A. Grade attracted 10 entries, and we round were played, the three lowest after the first round being grouped from the second round.

Holmesville on 27 points were Premiers and ecured the Lyall Cup, while Minmi, by their victory over Holmesville in the final by three goals to one, secured the trophies.

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Northern teams, attracted 10 entries. KERR CUP (Northern Senior Championship) competition, which was again restricted to

Adamstown, by defeating Weston in the final by

teams only and 19 entries were received. SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CUP (Northern Junior Champ'ship) Ihis competition was restricted to N.D.B.F.A. junior

goals to one, and won both Cup and Medals. Broadmeadow defeated Adamstown in the final be two

GARDINER CUP (State Championship)

and the nine teams from this Association entered, three of which entered the semi-final round. Cessnock defeated West Wallsend (hat season holders) in the semi-final, but were defeated by Adamstown in the final by two goals to Adamstown thus won the coveted honour. This event was controlled by the State Association

cessmock, six to nil. RICHARDSON CUP (State Junior Championship) 13 Teams from your Association competed in this

SCHOOLS SOCCER

On account of the large number of teams competing in the Eastern division in the School competition, the Association extended the trophics to winners in each division, therefore six sets of medals were donated instead

The entries totalled 37 teams—27 in the Eastern and 10 in the Western division, being an increase of two over the previous year. The winners were as follow—

B. Grade.-West Division: Cup and Medale won by A. Grade.—Cup and Medals won by High School.

No.1 Eastern Division. Medals won by Central.
No.2. Eastern Division. Medals won by Adamstown.
C. Grade. West Division. Cup and medals won by West
Wallend.

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The privilege of playing the finals on Saturdays was extended to the Schools and was accepted. They were C. Grade. East Division. Medals won by New Lambton. played on the Tramway Lround previous to the

During the year a number of No. 4 footballs were procured, and each school was supplied with new bills according to the number of teams that were playing the code. Referees were also provided for a great number of matches and every assistance has been freely given by the parent body to foster the code throughout the schools of the district. Letters of appreciation have been received from Mr. McDonald, the hon. secretary of the schools

MARIST BROTHERS' COMPETITION.

The Mariet Brothers ichool again conducted their Colour competition, six teams entering. Reds were successful in winning the trophies donated by the NDB.F.A.

Schools Soccer Competition, has forwarded to the Association his thanks and appreciation of the assistance granted by us; also the referees for their services which were given Great interest was evinced in this competition and the Brother who carried out the secretarial duties for the

ENGLISH TOUR

The visit of the English team, which had been looked forward to by the keen Soccerite for some time, eventuated during the year and two matches were played in Newcastle, one at the Show Ground, when the "grate receipts totalled over \$1000 which is easily a record for any football match in this area; and one at National Park Sports Ground, but it area; and one at National Park Sports Ground. and three goals to nil. Both matches were won by the visitors six goals to all,

A Test Match was also played at Makland Show Ground, the Englishmen again proving their superiority by winning eight goals to two.

While in Newcastle, the Association provided the accommodation for the visitors and the manager of the team, Mr. J. Douglas, has written since returning to Hobart thanking the Association for their generosity.

The match against the Maitland players was played at Cessnock, but the visitors again won. We offer our congratulations to all the players who had the honour of representing against the formidable English team.

INTERSTATE FIXTURES

district and played two matches—une at the Tramway Cround and one at Wallsend. The local team won on each occasion; eight goals to nil and three goals to two. No Senior Interstate fixtures were played, but a

GROUNDS.

pisying area and was in use for the full season. Newcastl Show Ground, Sports Ground and Maitland Show Grounwere used for the English fixtures, while Young Wallson and Weston were also utilised for Association games. The Tramway Cround was again the chief officia Newcastl

year's dressing and the attention given to it during the sesson, was in splendid playing order and no complaints were received. Unfortunately the attempt to renew the bease failed, with the result that Tramway Ground will not be used for football in the future. Young Wallsand Ground was in use the major portion of the year and the receipts from this ground were greatly increased. Another playing area has been made and sown with seed and will be in use during the coming season. The Tramway Ground, as a result of the previous

Weston Ground was used by the Association on four occasions and as the balance sheets shows, a large amount of revenue was received. A new departure was made in the venue of grounds for semi-finals—one being played at the venue of grounds for semi-finals—one being played at Weston. The venture was a big success.

The Association appreciates the generosity of the Weston club in allowing the use of the ground for Association games.

NEW GROUNDS.

After a great deal of difficulty, a new ground has been secured at New Lambton for the sum of £3673. The Special Meeting of the Association, held on 22nd December 1925, altered the rules of the Association, giving the trustees power to mortgage the ground and plan it in order.

The sum of £2100s is being paid to the Association for certain booth flights, and the total cost of removing stand, extending same, fencing, etc. will be practically covered by the above amount. The seating fence is now creeted and the draining of the ground will be completed and the ground prepared in time to commence our next seasons playing. A full report will be made at the annual

REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

we offer our congratulations. J. Nicholson, C. Nix and F. Harvey To these members ation were successful in pass;ing: Messrs. J. H. Sanderson. president, Mr. J. H. Sanderson; treasurer, Mr. B. Lane; ations were held and four members of the Referees' Associeccretary, Mr. F. Harvey. During the year State Examinvaluable assistance. The officers of the Association are-The Referees' Association has rendered the code very

FINANCE

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The receipts for the year total £6143 17s 9d, gate receipts amounting to £4343 5s 3d, an increase over last years gate money of £748 7s. The expenditure totals £5349 13s., leaving a credit balance of £794 4s 9d. The principal items of expenditure were £2014 11s 1d, paid to N.S.W. as percentage of gates. Percentage to clubs. £529 19s; allowances to clubs. £280, 19s 6d; rental ground £116 17s 4d; taxation, £311 10s 10; medals and engraving. £190 6s 6d; advertising. £139 17s 5d; entertaining. £153 1 hs 9d; referees and gatekeepers, £254 13s. The auditors. Cromarty and Turner estimate the Association assets at £2726 0 9d., being a decrease of £101 6s 8d against last year. This is accounted for by depreciation from the stand and fencing. Tramway Ground. £157 18s; typewriter, £2 10s.; total, £160 8s. The amounts paid to clubs with travelling allowances was £257 8s 4d, in excess of the amount paid the previous season.

- MANAGEMENT.

During the year, 33 committee meetings here held. The attendances were: A. A. Stirling (president) 28: S. Bush (treasurer), 31: P. J. Sheppard (bon. secretary), 33: A. Stewart, 28; W. Stevens, 31; J. Milla, 26: F. Harvey, 32: and F. Lockyer. 27.

The committee have dealt with all matters that have come within their province and have given their divisions' without fear or favour.

CHARITY.

Various charitable bodies have written thanking the Association for assistance during the year.

OBITUARY.

The sudden death of Mr. John Lewis, who managed the English team, fills us with regret, and to his relations and triends we offer our deepest sympathy.

THANKS.

TO all club secretaries, committees and players we desire to express our thanks for their hearty co-operation and support. We also thank Mr. R. C. Sneesby for his generosity in donating the R. C. Sneesby. Cup for competition.

We are also indebted to the press for the liberal amount of publicity they have given us.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion we desire to thank all those persons who have assisted the executive in the discharge of their duties and we trust that in the coming year the code will continue to gain and hold the public favour that it has in the past.

A. A. STIRLING, President.

S. BUSH. Hon. Treasurer.

P. J. SHEPPARD, Hon. Secretary.

On Leaving a Garden

As we get older we find that life is made up of leaving things behind.

Frequently, of course, things and people leave us behind. Yesterday is always with us.

And more yesterday's crowd upon us as we find the advancing years, not creeping in their petty pace from day to day, but galloping with the awful relentlessness of the swift tide as it invades the shore.

Who among us cannot pause for a moment and recall lost friendships? Hallowed memories rise as we remember days and experiences no longer ours.

Not only do these broken associations refer to human tiesloved ones no more among us, smiles gone and harty voices lost forever-but they take their toll of those apparently inanimate things that form the warp and weft of our lives.

Looking back, we are often inclined to think that life is made up of regrets because of things that we have lost. We grow sad as we recall days and people that are no more.

THIS SHOULD NOT BE.

All is recorded on the scroll of time and imprinted on the hearts of many others who have, in varying fashions, benefitted by what you have put into their lives.

So, sadness of parting gives place to a deeper appreciation of life and its meaning.

Take heart if age has crept upon you or disability has laid you aside or friends are not so numerous as once they were.

Nothing has been lost.

All is preserved in the vast, gentle heart of the universal life

1925 Season President.A.A.Stirling and J.Earp Vice President.A.A.Stewart Secretary.P.J.Shepperd Assist.Secretary.W.stevens Treasurer.S.Bush.

1925 Northern District Management Committee



Standing: F Lockyer, F Harvey, J Mills
Seated: F Lockyer, F Harvey, J Mills
W Stevens, A A Stewart, A A Stirling, P J Shepherd, S Bush

English Professional team to Tour. The Football Association has decided that it was time that a team representing Englang should show the flag in Australia. Great news indeed.

Ellis Cup Series(Results)

1925	Adamatowa	Cessnock	Kurri Kurri	Neath	Newcastle	New Lambton	Wallsend	West Wailsend	Weston	Points
Elis Cup				-		2-1,3-1	1-1, 5-0	2-2, 1-3	2-0, 2-1	22
damstown	X	1-0,2-2	3-3, 1-3	5-1, L/F	3-0, 4-0				6012	16
	2-2, 0-1	×	1-4, 1-2	1-2, 3-0	5-0, 6-1	3-2, 1-0	2-1, 1-3	1-1, 0-3	6-0, 1-2	
Cessnock			X	2-0, 1-1	1-2, 8-1	6-0, 2-2	3-0, 0-1	0-0, 2-3	1-0, 4-1	22
Kurri Kurri	3-3, 3-1	4-1, 2-1			1.000	2-0, 2-3	2-1, 2-2	0-1, 0-2	0-5, 3-2	12
Neath	W/F, 1-5	0-3. 2-1	1-1, 0-2	X	0-7, 1-3				1-4, 0-6	7
Newcastle	0-3, 0-4	0-3, 1-6	2-1, 1-8	7-0, 3-1	X	1-3, 2-2	0-1, 0-2	0-5, 0-7		-
Newcastie		-	0-6, 2-2	0-2, 3-2	3-1, 2-2	X	2-3, 1-3	0-1, 2-5	2-4, 3-2	8
New		0-1, 2-3	0-0, 2-2	0-2,					1.200	-
	-		0-3, 1-0	2-2, 1-2	4-0, 2-0	3-2, 3-1	X	1-3, 0-1	1-2, 0-0	15
Wallsend	1-1, 0-5	1-2, 3-1	0-3, 1-0		_		3-1, 1-0	X	1-1, 5-1	28
West	2-2, 3-1	1-1, 3-0	0-0, 3-2	1-0, 2-0	5-0, 7-0	1-0, 5-2	341, 140			-
Wallsend	0-2, 1-2	0-6, 2-1	1-4, 0-1	5-0, 2-3	4-1, 6-0	2-3, 4-2	2-1, 2-2	1-1, 1-5	X	14

1925 Season

The Premiership drew nine entries with New Lambton being promoted after their success in the 1924 season.

Kurri Kurri proved to be one of the most improved teams in the competition. The club imported J.Beddow.J.Stewart, and W.Stewart from Adamstown, as well as J.McCrae from Granville and Boxer Goodwin and Pat Cahill. Besides three English players who had recently arrived from England and gained employment in the Coalmines were quickly snapped up by the Kurri Kurri Club, they

In the first semi final

Adamstown 1 v Kurri Kurri (
At the Homestead 24/10/1925.

A.Smith
A.Lambert
A.Harris
L.Bailey
J.Bush
P.Doyle
H.Johns
A.Cameron
G.Russell
D.McAllister

A. Dunne(1)

E. Williams

R.McNaughton(1)



were H. England, T. McNabb, and S. Kidd.

Pat Cahill
J.Beddow
R.Bower
H.Wilson
T.McNabb
S.Wells
N.Price
J.McCrae
A.Phillips
S.Garland
S.Kidd

Referee Fred Harvey

In the second semi final at the Tramway ground 31/10 Cessnock 1 v West Wallsend 0

G.Bower
G.Williams
J.Rollo
G.Slarks

T V West Wallsend
Wally McKenzie
H.Muir
C.James
Dave Kaiser

W.Carroll Ern Richardson
J.Wilson Les Brown
C.Williams Di McLaughlin
P.Lennard W"Podge"Maunder
J.Tonner(1) Frank Coolahan
H.Otto Clarrie Coutts

R.McNaughton H.James
Referee S.Smith

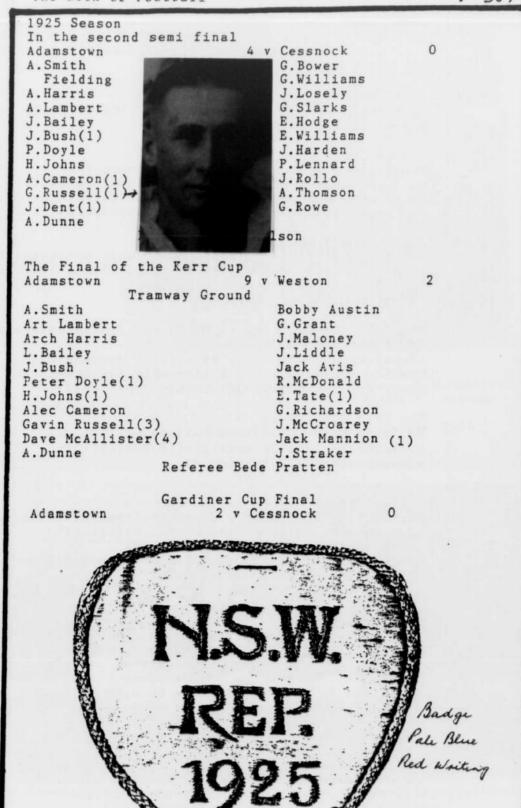
The lateness of the season did not stop a big crowd turning to see the final, where both teams gave the crowd value for money.

Cessnock 2 v Adamstown 1

Tramway Ground G. Bower A. Smith G.Williams A. Lambert J.Rollo A. Harris G.Slarks L. Bailev E. Hodge J. Bush G. Rowe P. Dovle E.Wilson H. Johns (1) P.Lennard(1) H. Otto

A.Cameron
G.Russell
D.McAllister
A.Dunne
Referee Fred Harvey





1925 Season

The reserve grade competition in point score order read. Wallsend(14)West Wallsend(13)Adamstown(6)New Lambton(5) Newcastle/Hamilton(2).

Third Grade
Holmesville(27)Teralba and Minmi(21)Cardiff(19)
Dudley(18)Islington(9)Boolaroo(8)

Fourth Grade.(A.Division)
Broadmeadow No,1 and Merewether Advance(20)
Wallsend(19)Adamstown(15)Jesmond(15)Stockton(11)
Newtown(9)Lambton(8)Broadmeadow No.2(6)
New Lambton(5)Awaba(4)Newcastle/Hamilton(0)

Fourth Grade (B.Division)
Teralba(Undefeated)22)Boolaroo(19)West Wallsend(15)
Catherine Hill Bay(No.1)15) Magpies(13)Charlestown(12)
Holmesville(11) Barnsley(8)Dudley(7)
Catherine Hill Bay No.2)6)

The U/18 competition saw Adamstown finish undefeated for the season Adamstown (35) Merewether Advance (30) Jesmond (27) Hamilton (22) Newtown (18) Wallsend (16) New Lambton (16) Stockton (7) Mayfield (5) Newcastle/Hamilton (2)

The U/18 B.Division
Wallsend Kiora's(29)West Wallsend(27)
Boolaroo No.1)23)Holmesville(18)Dudley(13)
Adamstown(No.2)12)Rhondda(9)

U/16 Division
Summerhill(Undefeated 23)West Wallsend(22)Dudley(19)
New Lambton(17)Young Wallsend(13)Cardiff(10)
Newcastle/Hamilton(10)Adamstown(10)
Merewether Advance(9)Jesmond(8)Broadmeadow(5)
Catherine Hill Bay(5)Hamilton(5).

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Kerr Cup

The First Semi Final saw Weston 1 v Wallsend Steve Tredinnick Bobby Austin G. Garraty J. Farrey J. Grant Perce Moore Ernie Owen, J.Liddle W. Forrester, Jack Avis J. Maloney Jommy Johnstone G. Hancock E. Tate W. Donald P. Davidson Rags Urwin J.McCroarey Eric Urwin Jack Mannion(1) J.Straker J. Hodge Referee J. Sanderson

1925 Season

Newcastle United Soccer Football Club SEASON, 1925



Back Row.F.Rouse(Com)G.Nolan.B.Morgan.S.Tolhurst T.Collins.W.Eggleston(Com)A.Pearce.F.Lockyer(Sec 2nd Row. W.Stewart.W.Morgan.J.Wylde.J.Allen.H.Raybould. H. Hughes. A. Frew Front.A.Lewis.J.Gill(Capt)J.Robertson.S.Butler(Com)



Standing.Tom Capewell.G.Rees.E.Urwin.D.Rees, W.Forrester. L.Gay.W.Walker.Jim Osborne.E.Richardson. Di Morgan. Ted Tiplady. Seated.A.Garraty.Rueb Coleman.Steve Tredinnick.L.Brown. Jack O'Brien.W.Pratten.

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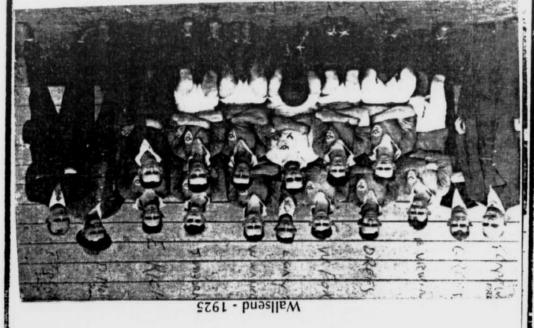
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Front. A. Lewis, J. Gill (Capt) J. Robertson. S. Butler (Com)



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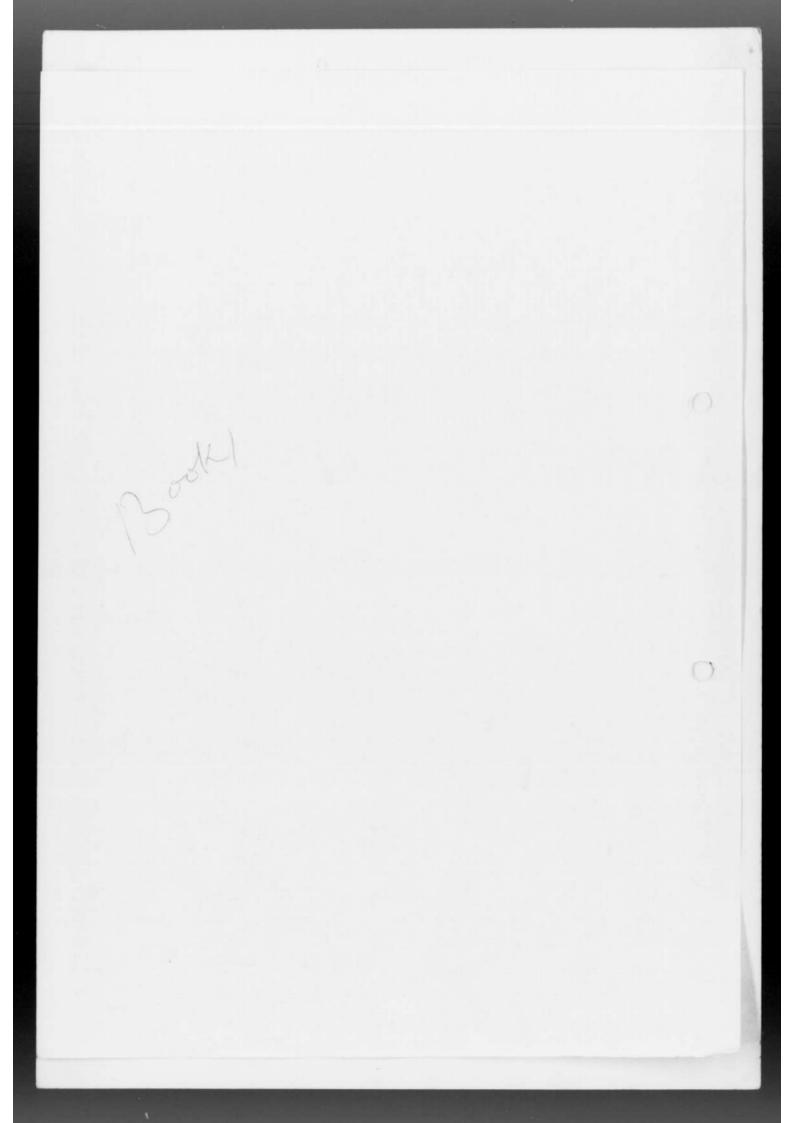


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SOCCER VISIT DEFINITE

All States Support Tour By England

The England Soccer team will tour Australia during the 1937 season. This decision was made at the All-

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Atstralia Soccer conference, the proposal receiving the unanimous support of all States.

The tour will be managed by a select committee comprising Messrs.

S. A. Storey (chairman), F. R. Druery (caretary), S. Grant, T. Hastie (N.S.W.), and representatives nominated by Queensland and Victoria.

England's team will arrive in Sydney about June 30.

Tentative | Itinerary

Tentative Itinerary

A tentative itinerary provides for two Tests at Sydney and one in Brisbane, with a match against an Australian XI. at Melbourne. Mid-week games will be played at Newcastle and Ceasnock. The England team will also play at Adelaide and Perth on the homeward journey.

Application is to be made for the Sydney Cricket Ground No. I for the Tests.

Mr. S. A. Storey was re-elected chairman of the Australian Association for the 14th successive year.

The Australian selection committee comprises Messrs. S. A. Storey (chairman). F. R. Druery, S. J. Grant (N.S.W.), J. O. Wilshaw (Vic.), F. Johnson (S.A.), and A. Gibb (Q.). Ti.c new Australian Council is Messrs. J. O. Wilshaw (Vic.), W. Elson-Green (Q.), R. Maclaghian (S.A.), R. H. Smith (Tas.), W. Beaney (N.S.W.), and Claude Eayrs (W.A.).

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HE SOCCER BOOM IN NEWCASTLE

Smith's Looks Players Over

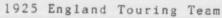
By JI'N. SHERWOOD"

"SMITH'S" Special Commissioner, J. N. Sherwood, who is visiting the Newcastle area to cover the Socor matches of the week, is a journalist with a big experience of the game in England. He has written up sems of the greatest Association duels fought in England. He has written up sems of the greatest Association duels fought in England. He has written up sems of the greatest Association duels fought in England. He has written up sems of the greatest Association duels fought in England. He has written up sems of the greatest Association duels fought in England. He has written up sems of the greatest which were the greatest that the clear principle of the played on mentally was allested. The same can be said of Wallend. Sociation of the played on mentally was a proper to the played on mentally was a state changion. The played on mentally was a state changion for the played on the played of the played to be and we played to be an only the played to be an only th

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n(Weston) J.E. Davison
             Bobby Austin(Weston)
                                                      S. Charlton
             Arch Harris (Adamstown)
                                                      C. Poxnton
             Henry Maunder(West Wallsend)Capt)
                                                      W. Caesar
             Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)
                                                      J. Hamilton
             Clarrie Coutts (West Wallsend)
                                                      L. Graham
             Peter Doyle (Adams town)
                                                       J. Walsh
             A.S. Wells (Kurri Kurri)
                                                       E.Simms(2)
             Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
                                                       #.G.Batten(Capt)2)
             J.McCroarey(Weston)
            N. Price (Kurri Kurri)
                                                        .Williams
                                                       C. Hannaford (2)
             Roy McNaughton (Cessnock)
                              Referee W.A. Wright
                                        O v England
Hardy
            Newcastle X1
                                                              3
            P. Jordan (New Lambton)
                                                 Spencer
            Arch Harris (Adamstown)
                                                 Hannah
            Art | Lambert (Adamstown)
   7/1/1925
                                                 Sage(1)
            L. Bailey (Adamstown)
                                                 Hamilton
            Clatrie Coutt's (West Wallsend)
                                                 Graham
            Peter Doyle(Adamstown)Capt)
                                                 Walsh(Capt)(1)
            A. Dunne (Adamstown)
                                                 Simms(1)
            Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
                                                 Batten
            W.Craig(Wallsend)
Les Brown(Wallsend)
                                                 Williams
                                                 Seymour
            H. Johns (Adamstown)
                                Referee W.A. Wright
            South Maitland
                                        1 v England
            Bobby Austin(Weston)
Jim Farrey(Weston)
G.Williams(Capt)Cessnock)
                                                 H. Hardy
   15/1/9
                                                 C.W. Spencer
                                                 J. Hanhah
                                                 W. Caesar(1)
            J.Liddle(Weston)
                                                 W. Sage (Capi)
            Eddie Hodge (Cessnock)
            Jack Avis(Weston)
                                                 C. Hannaford
            C.Williams(Cessnock)
                                                 J. E1kes(1)
                                                 H.G.Batten
            J.McGroarey(Weston)
            Perce Lennard(Cessnock)
Jack Mannion(Weston)
                                                  .Williams(1)
                                                 G.S. Seymour (1)
            Roy McNaughton
                                                   L. Graham
                             Referee Fred Harvey . Cessnock 15X7/1925.
            New South Wales
                                        1 v England
30/6/1925
                            Sydney Showground.30/6 1925
            G. Cartwright(Balmain Gladestone)
                                                   Hardy
            C. Leadbeater (Sydney)
                                                   Charlton
                                                   Poynton
            A. Druery(Sydney
            Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend)
                                                   Hannah
            A. Edwards (Granville)
                                                   Spencer
                                                   Graham
            H. Spurway (Granville)
            Stan Bourke(Granville)
                                                   Hannaford
            T.Green (Kurri Kurri)
Judy Masters(Capt)Balgownie)
                                                   Simms(1)
                                                   Batten(2)
                                                   Elkes(Capt)
            Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
                                                   Seymour(1)
            Roy McNaughton(1)Cessnock)
                                  Referee W.A.Wright
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1925 Season
England Tour Details.
                                                8
                                  O v England
  7/5/1925 Perth
                                                7
                                  0 v
  9/5/1925 West Australia
                                                10
- 14/5/1925 South Australia
                                  0 v
                                                4
 16/5/1925 Australian X1
                                  0 v.
  21/5/1925 Victoria
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                                                5
  23/5/1925 Australian X1
                                  0 v
                                                3
                                  2 v
  30/5/1925 NSW
                                         **
                                                3
   3/6/1925 Metropolitan
                                  1 v
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  20/6/1925 Queensland
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  24/6/1925 North Coast
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                                  1 v
  27/6/1925 Australia 1 Test
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   4/7/1925 Australia 2nd Test
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 18/7/1925 Australia 4th Test
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  21/7/1925 Granville District
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  25/7/1925 Australia 5th Test
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   1/8/1925 West Australia
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   3/8/1925 West Australia
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Back Row.J.Hannah.C.Poynton.M.Atherton.S.Charlton. S.Seymour 2nd Row. C.Hannaford.W.Williams.W.Caesar.J.Hamilton.

J.Elkes.C.W.Spencer.W.Sage.T.Whittaker.

Front. J.E. Davidson. H.G. Batten. E. Simms. M.C. Frowle.

J.Lewis.L.Graham.J.Walsh.H.Hardy.

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1925 Season
                  7/5/1925
May.
                         O v England
Perth
                              J.E. Davison
Marr
                                S.Charlton
Polie
                              T.J.Whittaker
Hinton
                               J. Hannah
Gentry
                              J. Hamilton
Warden
                              W. Caesar
Davis
                              C. Hannaford
Utting
                             W. Sage
Cruickshank
                              J. Elkes
Newall
                              G.Batten
Badham
                            E.Simms
J.GOrdon
West Australia 9/5/1925 O v England
                              H. Hardy
H. Bowland
                               S.Charlton
R. Utting
                               C. Poynton
T. Boyle
                               J. Hannah
H. Boyes
                               C. Spencer
T. Finlayson
                               L. Grahame
C.Martin
                               C. Hannaford
H. Bubb
                               W.Williams
A. Gordon
                              *E.Simms
W.A.Gardener
                               J. Elkes
T.Nesbitt
                              *G.Seymour
J. Gordon
            Referee Papworth
               14/5/1925 Ov England 10
Adelaide
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    Mitchell
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    Rennie
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     Venn
  R. Cameron
    Denman
     McQueen
     Crogan
     Gore
                           O v England
South Australia
                                H. Hardy ) Capt )
Syd Gibson
                                T. Whittaker
     Mitchell
                                C. Poynton
     Gibbs
                                W. Caesar
     Rennie
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     Venn
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     Denman
                               W. Williams
     McQueen
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   Reserves
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1925 Season					
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Aiken(Vic)				C. Poynto	n
Boyes(W.Au	st)			S. Graham	e
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Norman(Vic				W.Caesar	
Greaves(S.				W.Sage	
Honeysett()		H.Batten	
Denman(S.A	ust)			T. Whitta	ker
McQueen(S.				J.Elkes	
Gardner(S.		alty)	*	C. Hannaf	ord
		e R.G.	Gilde	es.	

Australian X1	0 v	England	
Robinson(Vic)		Hardy	
Mitchell(S.Aust)		Whittaker	
Aiken(Vic)		Royston	
Bristow(Vic)		Hamilton	
Ritchie(Vic)		Spencer	
Morrison(Vic)		Grahame	
Honeysett(Tasmania)		Hannaford	
Raith(Vic)		Simms	
W"Podge"Maunder(West	Wall:	send)Walsh	
Orr(Vic)		Batten	
R.McNaughton(Cessnock	()	Seymour	
Referee	A.Mc	Leod.	

23/5/1925

Programm - Public Reception, 29th May, 1925

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In the presence of His Excellency the Governor

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1925 Season
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             Metropolitan
                                                 England
                                                 3/6/1925
                           Sydney Showground
             E. Aitchison (Granville)
                                                    S.Charlton
             F. Gallen (Balmain)
S. Robinson (Pyrmont)
                                                   J. Elkes
                                                   W. Sage
             C.O'Connor(Eastern Subs)
                                                   GaBatten
             Gil Storey(Capt)Balmain)
S.Peel(Kastern Subs)
                                                   C. Hannaford
 3/6/1925
                                                   J. Walsh
             A. Burns (Canterbury)
                                                   T. Whittaker
             H. Winter (Granville)
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J.E.Qavidson
             S. Alewood (Canterbury)
             F. Hancock (Balmain)
             H. Robertson (Gladesville Ryde)
                                                   J. Hamilton
            F.Anderson(Gladesville Ryde)
E.Pont(Gladesville Ryde)
J.Tranter(St George)
             G.McFarlane(Gladesville Ryde)
             C.Brennan (Balmain)
                                  Referee Mr. Bate
             Metropolitan Player F. Hancock score from a penalty.
             New South Wales
                                             2 v England
             G. Cartwright (Bal-Gladestone)
                                                   Hardy
             A.Druery (Sydney)
Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend)
  30/5/1925
                                                   Charlton
                                                   Pownton
            C.Leadbeater(Sydney)
A.Edwards(Granville)
H.Spurway(Gladesville)
S.Bourke(Granville)
                                                   Hannah
                                                   Simms(1
                                                   Batten(2)
                                                   Elkes(
             Perce Lennard (Cessnock)
                                                   Seymour
             Judy Masters(Balgownie(2)CAFT
                                                   Spencer
             Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
                                                   Graham (Capt)
             Roy McNaughton (Cessnock)
                                                   Hannaford
             Teams are not in correct playing positions.
             Match played at Sydney Showground.
                                    Referee W.A. Wright.
            New South Wales
                                             1 v England
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8/6/1925
            G.Cartwright(Balmain Gladestone)
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            C. Leadbeater (Sydney)
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            A. Druery (Sydney)
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            F.Coolahan(West Wallsend)
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            S. Bourke (Granville )
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            T.Green(Kurri Kurri)
J.Masters(Cap Balgownie)
                                                           Simms
                                                           Batten
            T. Thompson (Balgownie)
                                                           Elkes(Capt)
            R.McNaughton(Cessnock)
                                                           Seymour
                                 Referee W.A. Wright
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New South Wales 2 v Congland Royal Agneulture show Ground 30/5/1925 G. Cartwright (Balmain Gladestone) H. Hardy C. Poynton a Donery (Sydney) I Whittaker Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend) I Grahame C. Leabeater (Sydney) C Spencer a Edwards (Granville) A. Spurway (Gladesville Ryde) S. Bourke (Granvelle) Wsage J. bekes 16. Simms (1) Perce Lennard (Cessnock) of masters (lapt Balgownie) Seymour H Batten (2) J. Thompson (Belgownie) Spencer Roy Mc naughton (Cennock) ZIANNAFORD. Reserves & alchison (Granvelle) Harris (adamstown) G. Storey (Balmain) E. Waldon (Granville Referee Wa Wright a. W. Bates - L. R. Brown

Metropolitan 1 & tengland 3 Sydney Showground 3/6/1925. B. atcheson (Granvelle) S. Charlton J. Elkes J. Gallen (Balmain) W Sage S. Robenson (Pyrmont) 9. Batter C. O'Connor (Bastern Suburbs) C. Hannaford 9 Storey (Capt) Balmain) I Walsh S. Peel (Cartern Suburbs) I whittaker a Burns (Canterbury) J. Hannah H. Winter (Granvelle) A. alewood (lanterbury) J. Davison J. Hancock (Balmain) (PENALTY) J. Hamilton A Robertson (Gladesville Ryde) Reserves F. Anderson (Gladesville Ryde) 16. Pont (Gladeswille Ryde) J. Tranter (St George) G. Mc Farlane (Gladesville Ryde) C. Brennan (Balmain) Referee a W Bates

* Jeans are not in correct playing order

8/6/1925

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H. Spurway (Gladesville Ryde

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J. Masters
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The rival Captains shaking hands before the first New South Wales

Match.

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Morthern Destricts o & Congland 6

Meweastle Showground 13/6/1925.

Bobby Austin (Weston) J. Davison
Arch Harris (Adamstown) Charlton

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Clarrie Coutts (West Wallsend) Hamilton

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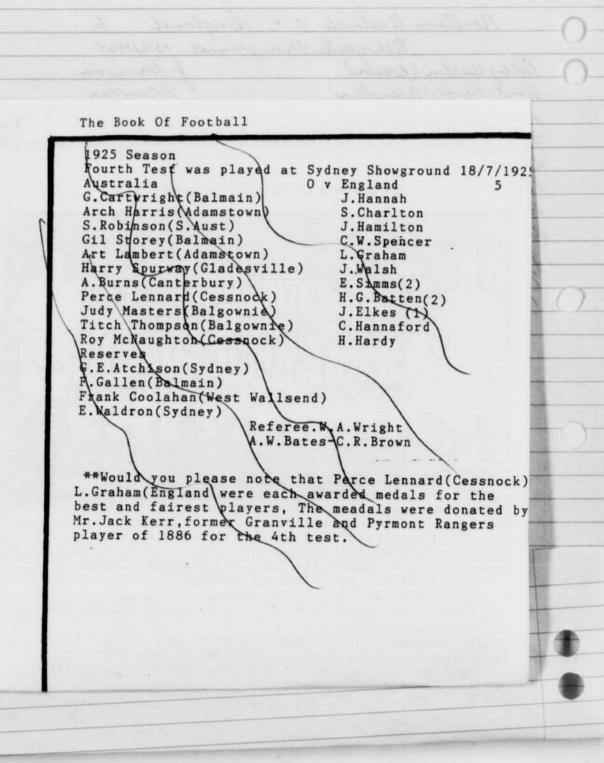
First Northern Districts side vs England - 1925



Standing.J.Nicholson(Lines)J.Beddow, P.Doyle, A.Harris C.Coutts, H?Maunder(Capt)L.Brown, R.Austin, J.Sanderson(Lines)

Seated W.A. Wright (Ref) F. Coolahan. R. Wells. A. Cameron J. McCroarey, N. Price, R. McNaughton

**At the conclusion of the tour the English manager,
Mr Frowle, while being interviewed by the Labour Daily
Newspaper, said that the most outstanding player for
Australia had been the youthful Cessnock winger, Roy
McNaughton "whose work on the wing was an object lesson
to all players".
Should he ever decide to come to England, he would not
have any trouble in winning a place in any of the big First
League teams, "remarked the English expert.
Great praise indeed for such a young player. There have
been few finer sporting areas in Australia than that
embracing Newcastle and the Cessnock-Coalfields.



Northern Districts o V Congland Newestle Showground 13/6/1925. Bobby austin (Weston) 1. Davison Charlton arch Harris (adamstown) Henry Maunder (lapt) (West Wallsend) Pognton Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend) Caesar Marrie Coutts (West Wallsend) Hamilton Peter Doyle (adamstown) Grahame a & Wells (Kurni Kurni) Walsh alec Cameron (adamstown) Simms (2) Batter (Cept) (2) J. Me Croarey (Weston) n Price (Lessnock) Welliams Roy the haughton (Cessnock Hannaford (2) Refere Wawnight.

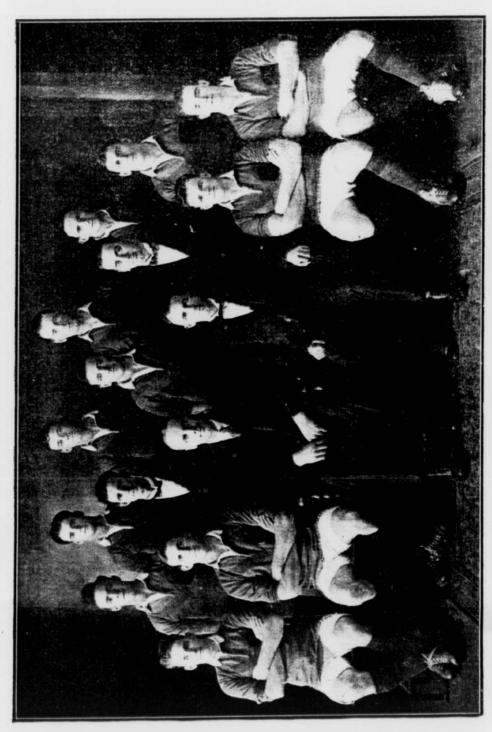
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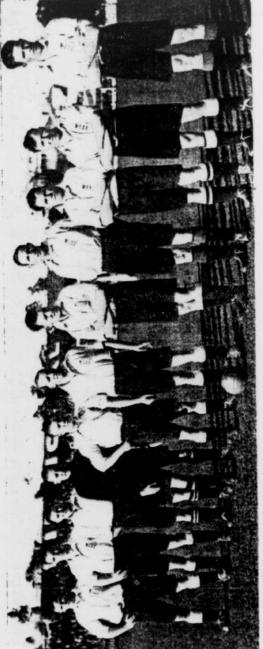
The English Manager Mr John Lewis Refused to number their players.

AUSTRALIAN SOCTER TEAM. PIRST TEST v. ENGLAND, BRISBANE, 27th JUNE, 1925.



Australian Association, S. Robinson, Front Row.—S. Bourke, A. Edwards (Capt.), T. A. Langridge (Australian Trainer), S. A. Storey (Chairman, R. McNaughton, J. McCroarey, Second Row.—A. E. Murray, J. Peebles (Association Manager) G. Cartwright, J. S. Hildreth (Aust, Selector), Third Row.—F. Gallen, L. Brown, G. Storey, P. Lennard, E. OWEN ABSENT

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S. Charlton, C. Spencer, L. Graham, H. Hardy, C. Hannaford, E. Simms, J. Hamilton, J. Elkes, S. Seymour, C. Poynton.

PENALTIES NOT CON-VERTED.

It was a remarkable coincidence that both sides failed to convert their penalty kicks last Saturday in the big test game.

Spencer handled inside the penalty area, and Referee Wright did not hesitate in giving his decision. Then followed a most unsatisfactory series of incidents.

The visitors protested against the ruling, and play was held up for some time. Edwards placed the ball in position to take the kick.

There appeared to be "chip-

There appeared to be "chip-ping" by several of the English players, and Edwards ordered McNaughton to take the penalty. The Cessnock winger skied the ball over the bar with a terrific

ball over the bar with a terrific drive.

With the score level, one goal each, a goal at this stage would have been the turning point in the game.

Gallen gave away a penalty kick to prevent what looked a certain score, but Elkes made a weak attempt with the shot. He sent the ball direct at Cartwright for the goalkeeper to deflect over the bar.

Australia's Skill in Soccer

(By J.F.B.)

What a great thing it would be if Australian Soccerites were able to declare, "Australia leads the world in Soccer!" There are a great many who, no doubt, would discountenance the possibility of such ambition and write it down as unduly optimistic and exalted. But why should it be so considered? What are the essentials towards accomplishing this laudable desire? It is acknowledged that we have the material available for the construction of a team which, under able and ex-pert tuition, could accomplish the task of becoming world beaters. Most people are well aware that that Australians have never allowed that there is anything in the way of skill and application that Australians cannot excel in.

Australians are capable of the highest in all avenues of sport, and should not be satisfied in the Soccer section with anything else.

In the matter of preparing our players, we want not only club and association officials to realise the importance of training, but players to accept the fact that to excel in Soccer diligent application to ball practice and specially designed exercises is imperative. If there is close co-operation by all concerned in this regard, the path of progress in this line of endeavour will be opened up in such a way that it will not be departed from until finally the world's acknowledgment of Australian success will be recorded.

Enterprise in connection with the thorough preparation of our players should function otherwise than in clinching the argument that Australians should aim for the

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There is nothing that Australians cannot do, so there is no need for faint heart in tackling the task of fitting sprightly Australians with approved scientific methods to overcome the vaunted strength of powerful adversaries. Our incumbent duty is to see that our players have a fair chance of development. Let them have every chance to develop into strong and proficient players by providing incentives that will make them independent of those misguided people attached to the code who would smother our national ambitions for the advancement of purely local club interests.

It is probably necessary that there should be some adjustment to secure for players a fair remuneration for the time devoted to preparation for participation in games which attract capacity attendances to Australia's playing swards. Before we can be assured of the continuity of that support we must demonstrate our Soccer ability. If we attain a standard equal to that of the present English team there will always be a plentiful supply of the necessary finance provided by delighted patrons. Until the attainment of that standard is accomplished, let all genuine well-wishers of the code in Australia, and Sydney in particular, co-ordinate their efforts in the direction of tutoring our players in the finer points of the game, instead of placating them with specious promises which may never, under existing conditions, be possible of redemption.

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Barly match to n. 1. W v England 30/6/1925

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1 bugland australia Sydney 4/1/1925 (2ND TEST) 9 Carturight (Balmain Gladestone) y Davison W. Faulkiner (South Aust) Charlton H Spurway (Gladerville Ryde) Spencer a Edwards (Granville) Sage L O'Lonnor (St George) Hamilton H Sherrengham (Sydney) Grahame A Bourke (Granwille) Hannaford Perce Lennard (Cessnock) Summs (Capt) (1) James "Judy "masters (Balgawnie) Batten 9. Smith () (Corrinal) telkes (1) Roy Mc haughton (Cennock) Seymour

Refere Wallinght

** Would you please note the haughton Australia, and telkes tengland both missed Penaltys.

Both teams are not necessarly in correct positions.



Back Row.A. Thompson, F. Gallen, H. Spurway, R. McNaughton 2nd Row.T.A. Langridge(Trn)S, Robinson, Smith, C.O'Connor, H. Sherringham, Sitting.W. Faulkiner, EA. Edwards(Capt)P. Lennard S. Bourke.

(Inset)G.Cartwright)

Newcastle XI Or England 8/7/1925 P. Jordan (new Lambton) Hardy area Harris (adamstown) Spencer Hannah art Lambert (adamstown) I Bailey (adamstown) sage (i) Claric Coutts West Wallsend P. Doyle (lapt) (adamstown) Grahame Walsh (Capt) (1) a Dunne (adamstown) alec Cameron (adamstown Summers (1) W Craig (Wallrend) Batten Les Brown (Wallsend) Williams H. Johns (adamstown) Seymour Referee Wa Warght.

1925 Season The third test was played at the Maitland Showground.

July 11th 1925 v England C.Hannaford 2 G.Cartwright(Balmain Glad) W.Faulkiner(S.Aust) J. Elkes F.Gallen(Balmain)
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G.Storey(Balmain)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
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newcastle XI	V Northern Coalfields	4
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South Martland 11 Knyland 15/7/1925 Hardy Bobby Ruster (Weston)
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G. Williams (Capt) Cessnock) Spencer Hannah Caesar (1) J. Liddle (Weston) Toddie Hodge (Cesmock) Jack avis (Weston) Sage (Capt) Hannaford Elkes(1) C. William (Cessnock) J. Mc Croarey (Weston)
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** Would you please note that Perce Lennard (Reserver) + 2. Grahame (England) were each awarded a medal for the best * fairest for each teom.

The medals were donated by Mr Jack Kerr former Granvelle * Pyrmont Rangers player of 1886

Barly matches Interdistrict Schools Football A.A.S Ground. 18/1/1925 v South Coast Metropolis Leishman (Woonona) Gerrie (Birchgrove) Woods (Bankstown) Welch (Woonona) Grills (Thirrowl) Goung alexandria) Kelly (Post Kemble) Michaels (Bankstown) Stranchan (Pyrmont) Phillips (Balgownie) Smith (Coledale) Me Guire (Orange Grove) Jones (Corrimal) Dalley (Berchgrove) Critcher (Wollangong) Brydon (Berelgrove) Murray (Woonona) Mortimer (annandale) Hawdon (Wollangong) Palmer (Bankstown) Brodie (Wollongong) Russell (Ryde Reserves Reserves. Barmforth (Loledale) Oakley (Banksmeadow) Jackson (Birchgrove) Love (Coledale) Lenham (Scarborough) Watts (Ultimo) Referee B. Rateliffe Metropolitan Junion Granville Juniors W Doodson 1. House J. Greenshields Jean W Hawney Supplied WWilson L. malcolm J. Wallis J. Musgrove 7. Henes (Capt) 5. Hall 1. Hammond Reserves a Barker J. Caren J. mc Latyre Referee J Leighton W Blakeley - H.S. Cockwell

West Australia IV Congland Subiaco Oval Aug. 1925 Davison Kurk Hannah 16. Michaels Henton Charlton Spencer Warden (Capt) Fenlayson Wilderspin Walsh (1) a Gordon (1) Williams Batten (Capit) (4) Smart newall Elkes Referee Firmiston Gardner XWest australia led i nil at Half time and after 25/1/1925

THE LAST GAME

The Englishmen finished up their unbeaten tour yesterday afternoon by defeating Western Austrilia 5-1. The scores were the same as on Schuddy: the galac was entirely different. The local men played bright, keen tootball, the visitors were all out, and a fast exciting match resulted.

At half-time Western Australia led 1—6. Then the Englishmen, who are in perfect training, came with a wet sheet, and scored five goals in succession, the home side who were tiring towards the finish, finding the pace a bit too hot. The game was remarkable for the amount of head work introduced, the Englishmen being amazingly clever in this respect, and of course, very deft with their feet. The crowd of 2000 present on the Subiaco Oval were delighted with the home side's effort, local football appearing in a very favorable light. Each side introduced two fresh players, Davison keeping goal for England, and Seymour, the crack left wing, displacing a good man in Simms, E. Nicholls took the place of Utting, who hurt his hand on Saturday, and Wilderspin was outside right in place of Chadwick, Warden played centre half, and the local changes worked out very well. The gate was £153. The

well. The gate was £153. The teams were:—
England—Goal: Davison: right back, Hannah: left back, Charlton: left half, Graham: centre half, Spencer: right half, Hamil-

ton; outside right, Walsh; inside right, Williams; centre, Batten (captain); inside left, Elkes; outside left, Seymour.

Western Australia—Goal, Kirk; right back, E. Nicholls; left back, Hinton; right half, Boyes; centre half, Warden (captain); left half, Finlayson; outside right, Wilderspin; inside right, A. Gordon; centre, Smart; inside left, Newall; outside left, Gardner; referee, F. Firmiston.

Batten won the toss from Warden, and kicked eastward. The Englishmen quickly took up the attack, but though they buzzed round the home gon! like herners they could not penetrate the defence, backs halves, and goal-keeper working designately in repelling the attack. Occasionally the home forwards broke away, but it was not till late in the first half that the Western Australians swooped down the field in convincing style. Andy Gorden shot hard for goal. Devison with difficulty saved, and Gorden, entohing the rebound, drove home a fine goal smidst wild cheering. The Englishmen tried hard to equalise before half-time but the backs fought hard. Kirk made some fine saves, and the home forwards, also had a look in at times. In the second half the Englishmen were fully on their mettle and quickly rushed down on the home goal. Seymour passing to Batten, who deftly scored, equalising. A little later Graham worked up a fast run on the left wing centre across the goal, and Walsh cleverly headed through with inches only to spare between his head and the post. The third goal came from the foot of that wonderfully clean goalkicker Batten, who has piled up a big record for the tour. Later Seymour, with a lightning shot which struck the bar, and as it came down Batten put it through. At times the Western Australian forwards attacked, and Davison had to clear. Kirk stopped a pearler from Batten, who later beat him with a beauty, the game ending—

England, 5 goals: Western Australia, 1 goal.

Batten scored four goals and Walsh one for England, and Gordon got one for Western Australia.

With hardly an exception the men in both teams played finely. Kirk was a good goalkeeper.

England wins Fifth Test

FINE GAME IN MUD

AUSTRALIA'S GREAT DEFENCE.

In defeating Australia in the fith Test match at the Fitzroy Cricket Ground by 2 goals to nil, the English team will return home with the honor of having won all 5 tests with a score of 22 goals against 4. The match on Saturday was the hardest fought game of the tour, and great credit is due to the Australian eleven in holding the visitors in check. The crowd was thrilled with the way each player controlled the ball, and the head work and short passing of the Englishmen was a feature of the play. Each man worked in co-operation with his partner, and there was an entire lack of selfishings. Elkes and Simms delighted the spectators with their wonderful footwork and bewildered the opposing half backs, but the defence cleverly kept the score down. England were awarded three penalty kicks, two of which were missed.

England won the toss and defended the Brunswick street goal. Robison, in the Australian goal, was tested during the first minute with a long shot from Elkes, and when Eccles (Australia) got away on the right wing Charlton easily cleared his line. England commenced a prolonged attack on the Australian goal, and Robison had two long shots to save, after which a centre from Walsh was handled by Aiken in the penalty area, and Batten, taking the spot kick, placed the ball wide. Twice the Englishmen were pulled up for offside when close in, and af-

ter Elkes had exhibited some pretty dribbling, Mitchell (Australia) clever frustrated his attempt to shoot, "Hands" against Elkes relieved the situation for Australia, and Eccles got away and forced a barren corner off Charlton. From a throw-in Phillips (Australia) neatly tapped the ball forward, and in a fast run along the touch line, Eccles trick-

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606 George Street (1 door from Hoyt's Theatre). down, but the latter made a clever recovery and, gathering the ball again, got Engiand out of a dangerous position. The visitors had had luck when Eikes and Batten, after brilliant individual work, put in shots which were accidentally stopped or diverted by other players. After 25 minutes England registered their first goal as the result of a penalty kick against Aiken, Charlton scoring with a fast grounder. Australia advanced from the centre kick and Davidson made an easy save when called upon. Loud cheering greeted the efforts of the Australian goalkeeper, Robison, when he made four saves in quick succession. England was awarded a second penalty kick when Mitchell brought Elkes down unfairly, but Graham shot high over the bar. A thrill came following another good run by Eccles, his centre being perfect, but Thompson, with an excellent chance to score for Australia, shot wide. England eventually cleared their lines and were attacking at half-time. England, 1; Australia, 5.

The second half opened with an attack by England, but the Australian full-backs, Mitchell and Aiken, nullified their efforts, and Robison was not troubled. Australia broke away, and a promising movement was spoiled when Masters got offside. Spencer (England) was pulled up for tripping Thompson, and Australia paid a brief visit to their opponents' quarters. They were quickly forced back, however, and goals for England looked certain, when Walsh continued to put across



JACK MITCHELL.

A splendid Full-back of South
Australia, who is thinking of
coming to New South Wales in
August.

australia or England	. 2
Melbourne 25/7/1925	
5th Test	Marine de la lace
A. Robinson (VIC)	Hardy
Mitchell (South Aust)	Hannah
aiken (Vic)	Charlton
Morrison (Vic)	Caesar
a Edwards (Granvelle)	Spencer
H. Spurway (Gladesville Ryde)	Grahame
Cacles (VIC)	Walsh
a Phillips (Kurri Kurri)	Semms
James Judy Masters (Balgownie)	Batten
Tom "Titch" Thompson (Balgownie)	beken
Roy Mc haughton (lessnock)	Williams
Reserves	
Brestow (Vie)	
Ritchie (Vie)	
Honeysett (Jasmania)	
Rait (VIC)	
W"Podge" Maunder (West Wallsend)	
J. Orr (Cessnock)	
Charlie O'Connor (best Suburbs)	
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1925 Season
Player Register
Adamstown
A.Smith, Arch Harris, Art Lambert, L. Bailey, J. Bush,
Peter Doyle, H. Johns, Alec Cameron, Gavin Russell, H. Dent,
A. Dunne, D. McAllister, V. Turnbull

Cessnock
Merv Sternbeck, W. Thomson, G. Rennix, G. Rowe, G. Stokes,
H. Wilson, E. Williams, Perce Lennard, Eddie Hodge, A. Thomson,
Andy McNaughton, Roy McNaughton, J. Rollo, G. Williams,
G. Tonner, A. Lee, M. Kerr, G. Bower, J. Losely, W. Stoker,
H. Otto, W. Carroll, J. Rutherford, J. Murdock, W. Victor,
J. Harden, E. See.

Kurri Kurri G.Goodwin, J.Stewart, W.Stewart, J.Beddow, A.Phillips, W.Foley, S.Wells, H.Bennett, F.Wilson, R.Bower, J.McCrae, A.McClusky, S.Kidd, T.McNabb, A.Garland, R.Simons, N.Price, M.Allen, T.Green, S.Bagnall, Pat Cahill.

Weston
Bobby Austin, Tom Oliver, G. Grant, J. Farrey, Jack Avis,
J. Liddle, Andy Donald, W. Avis, G. Richardson, J. McCroarey
Jack Mannion, Jack Gilmour, J. Marriott, J. Maloney,
J. Williams, Waddingham

New Lambton J.Davidson, J.Laverty, J.Findlay, J.Blair, R.Mitchell, C.Slavin, G.Anderson, P.Jordan, G.Bricklow, H.Jordan, H.Bott, F.Wilson, D.Morgan.

Newcastle/Hamilton Tolhurst, J. McBeath, B. Morgan, H. Hughes, J. Martin, J. Allen, E. Lewis, J. Wylde, E. Gill, J. Sturat, N. Collins W. Moran, A. Bull. F. Reynolds.

Neath
W.Stoker, Alf "Ducky" Henwood, R. Harden, R. Jeffreys,
J. Kennedy, J. Bates, Taylor, N. Endean, J. Horne, R. Hughes
Tom Shakespeare, R. Bates, Morris, Hartley, Dolan,
R. Cockburn, Purcell, Powell, Baldwin, Jack Drinkwater,
B. Wyles.

Wallsend
J.Hodge, Eric Urwin, Rags Urwin, Ernie Owen, Dan Rees
Perce Moore, Jimmy Johnstone, W. Walker, F. Wells,
N. Hancock, J. Gilmour, Steve Tredinnick, Frank Garraty,
E. Connelly, R. Hughes, Joe Wardle, W. Miller, J. Frew,
W. Young, Fenwick, W. Forrester, P. Davidson, W. Craig
Keith Urwin.

1925 Season

West Wallsend
Jack Coutts, H. James, Henry Maunder, Frank Coolahan,
Clarrie Coutts, H. Muir, Di McLaughlin, G. Ross Wal MC

Clarrie Coutts, H. Muir, Di McLaughlin, G. Ross, Wal MCKenzie W. Erickson, Bill "Podge" Maunder, Les Brown, Clarrie James Dave Kaiser, J. Smith, W. Smith, Frank Hayes, Ern Richardson

Teams and Grades.

Reserve Grade
Wallsend, West Wallsend, Adamstown, New Lambton,.
Newcastle/Hamilton

3rd Grade Holmesville, Teralba, Minmi, Cardiff, Dudley, Islington Boolaroo.

4th Grade (A.Division)
Broadmeadow No.1, Merewether Advance, Wallsend, Adamstown,
Jesmond, Stockton, Newtown, Lambton, Awaba, Awaba,
Broadmeadow No.2. New Lambton.

4th Grade No, 2 Division
Teralba, Boolaroo, West Wallsend, Catherine Hill Bay, No. 1
Magpies, Charlestown, Barnsley, Holmesville, Dudley,
Rhondda, Catherine Hill Bay No, 2.

U/18 Grade A.Division Adamstown, Merewether Advance, Jesmond, Hamilton, Newtown Wallsend, New Lambton, Stockton, Mayfield, Newcastle

U/18 B.Division Wallsend Kiora,West Wallsend,Boolaroo No.1.Dudley Holmesville.Adamstown,Boolaroo NO.2 Rhondda,Cardiff

U/16
Summerhill, West Wallsend, Dudley, New Lambton, Cardiff
Young Wallsend, Newcastle, Adamstown, Hamilton,
Merewether Advance No.1. Merewether Advance No.2,
Jesmond No.1, Jesmond No.2. Broadmeadow, Catherine Hill Bay.

Registered Referee's
J.Biddlecomb, F.Harvey, W.Kidd, J.Nicholson, H.H.Winley
J.Sneddon, Bede Pratten, Harry Pratten, S.Smith, B.Lane,
R.Bailey, Bill Stott, Charlie Nix, D.McLaren, A.Wright.
T.Terriss, A.Jack, Joss Bartley, F.Filby, Jack Bartley
J.Parsons, A.Broadbent, W.Hughes, Frank Rizzolli,
H.Williams, W.Allwood, E.Rutherford.

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Management Committee.W.Harrod.Tom Crawford.J.Kidd,F.Harvey, R.J.Skillings.

Richardson Cup(State U/21)
In the State Final of The Richardson Cup Wallsend defeated Canterbury 2x0
Wallsend Team comprised .
Steve Tredinnick, Ech Hardes, Albert Partridge, Fred Scott, Jack Waring, G. Collins, Jack Dial(1) Jack "Dingy" O'Brien, Harry "Snow" Hetherington(1) J. Coleman, Bill Parkes.

NSW Touring Party to Queensland - 1926



Back Row: P V Martin (Trn)

3rd Row: J Drinkwater, G H Smith, E Aitchinson, J Bush, S Bourke
2nd Row: L Bailey, J Farrey, J Mannion, H Muir, R McMahon, P Hogan
Front Row: A Cameron, G Storey (Capt), C P Dixon (Mgr), J Crum (V-Capt),

F Coolahan

1926 Blis Cup	Adams'n	Aberdare	Cessnock	Holmes- ville	Kurri Kurri	New'tle	New Lambton	Wallsend	West Wallsend	Weston	Neat
Adamstown	x	5-0, 2-1	5-2, 2-3	11-0, 4-1	3-1, 3-3	9-0, 4-2	4-2, 9-3	5-1, 2-0	3-4, 3-4	3-2, 1-3	8-0
Aberdare	1-2, 0-5	x	2-5, 0-2	2-1, 3-1	3-1, 2-0	4-0, 7-2	3-0, 4-2	0-0, 2-4	4-3, 0-0	3-0, 1-6	4-2
Cosnock	3-2, 2-5	5-2, 2-0	x	5-2, 4-0	2-5, 3-2	6-3, 4-1	8-1, 6-0	2-0, 3-3	2-4, L/F	3-1, 3-1	W/F
Holmesville	1-4, 0-11	1-2, 1-3	2-5, 0-4	x	2-5, 2-0	2-1,3-1	4-0, 1-5	0-3, 1-5	0-5, 1-5	4-2, 0-5	W/F
Kurri Kurri	3-3, 1-3	0-2, 1-3	5-2, 2-3	5-2, 0-2	х	4-1, 5-2	5-0, 8-0	2-2, 1-1	1-1, 3-4	5-3, 2-7	W/F
Newcastle	2-4, 0-9	2-7, 0-4	1-4, 3-6	1-3, 1-2	2-5, 1-4	X	1-3, 7-2	3-4, 2-2	2-6, 2-5	3-1, 3-5	W/F
New Lambton	3-9, 2-4	2-4, 0-3	0-6, 1-8	0-4, 5-1	0-8, 0-5	3-1, 2-7	x	1-3, 1-6	L/F, Aban	1-5, 0-5	W/F
Wallsend	1-5, 0-2	0-0, 4-2	0-2, 3-3	5-1, 3-0	2-2, 1-1	4-3, 2-2	3-1, 6-1	×	0-5, 1-2	1-1, Aban	W/F
West Wallsend	4-3, 4-3	3-4, 0-0	4-2, W/F	5-1, 5-0	4-3, 1-1	6-2, 5-2	Aban, W/F	5-0, 2-1	×	3-1, 4-3	4-0
Weston	2-3, 3-1	6-1, 0-3	1-3, 1-3	5-0, 2-4	7-2, 3-5	5-3, 1-3	5-1, 5-0	1-1, Aban	3-4, 1-3	x	6-1
Neath	0-8, 2-4	L/F	UF	L/F	L/F	UF	LF	UF	0-4	1.6	x

First Junior Football in Maitland
We should note that 1926 saw the introduction of the first
Junior football competition in the Maitland district.
A Churches competition, the initial teams were
St Lukes(Telarah)St Mary's(A)St Mary's(B)Maitland)
And St Pauls(Maitland).

Representative Matches
The first representative match of the year was between Newcastle and Sydney.played at Hobart Park 1/5/1926
Newcastle v Sydney

Hobart Park
P.Jordan(New Lambton)
Arch Harris(AdamStown)
H.Muir(West Wallsend)
F.Wilson(New Lambton)
Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend)
J.Bush(Adamstown)
C.J.Bush(Adamstown)
C.J.Bush(Adamstown)
C.J.Bush(West Wallsend)

C.James(West Wallsend)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)
J.McCroarey(Weston)
P.Hogan(Newcastle)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
Stan Bourke
J.Suddick
S.Robinson
H.Henson
H.James

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4 v Queensland
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0 v Queensland
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The Selected Players were.

E.Aitchison(Granville)H.Muir(West Wallsend)

J.Crum(Annandale)J.Farrey(Cessnock)Frank Coolahan(West-Wallsend)G.Storey(Balmain)J.Bush(Adamstown)S.Bourke(Granville)Alec Cameron(Adamstown)George Smith(Corrimal)

P.Hogan(Newcastle)Titch Thompson(Balgownie)J.McMahon(

Balgownie) Jack Mannion (Weston)

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1926 Season

The Annual Report praised the missionary work of the Football Association touring party. However, there were some criticism of the austere attitude of the mamager John Lewis and his reluctance to number his players 1 to 10, or use the three ball system and his refusal to use the local teams substitution rule to replace injured players.

In the case of numbering it's players the Goalkeeper was never numbered., the system was in those day's

Right Full Back 1
LEft Full Back 2
Right Half Back 3
Left Half Back 4
Centre Half 5
Right Wing 6
Inside Right 7
Centre Forward 8
Inside Left 9
Left Wing 10

(It was not till 1939 in the F.A.Cup Final that England started to number it's Player's)

The Northern District British Football Association received a setback when they lost the use of the Tramway Ground at Hamilton, which was needed for transport development.

The Management committee acted with commendable speed and business acumen to secure a new enclose ground at Hobart Park New Lambton.

A Liquor licence allowed the construction of an excellant grandstand.

The ground was officially opened by the Mayor of New Lambton Ald G.Brown on the 1st May when the first competition match played on the ground was between West Wallsend and Kurri Kurri.

Entries for the Grades

Neath Withdraw

In May, Neath withdraw from the senior ranks, due mainly to the loss of leading players to other clubs during the closed season.

The Point Scored ended with
West Wallsend(32)Adamstown(29)Cessnock(29)
Aberdare(24)Kurri Kurri(20)Wallsend(20)Weston(17)
Holmesville(12)Newcastle(7)New Lambton(6)

The success of the recently promoted Aberdare Aberdare really an off-shoot of Cessnock supported and managed by a group of former Scottish folk, was very welcome The first semi final between Cessnock v Aberdare played at Homestead Weston produced a needle gate a real royal full blooded local derby with a gate of £211 pounds, Cessnock greater experience told and the line ups and result is as follows.

1926		1
Cessnock	3 v Aberdare	1
A	t the Homestead Weston.	
J.Keeling	T.Aubin	
W.Thomson	C.Hill	
W.Victor	G. Turner	
J.Harden	Tom Shakespear	e
	J.Strang	
Eddie Hodge	J.B.Digger Eva	ns
G.Rowe	W.Matthews	
E.Williams	D.B.McLaren	
Perce Lennard	G. Wilkinson	
C.Williams		
H.Otto	G. Hartley	
Roy McNaughton	J.Wilkinson	
The second semi	final	
West Wallsend	4 v Adamstown	3
	R.Francis	
Jack Coutts	Art Lambert	
H.James	Vince Turnbull	
H.Muir		
Frank Coolahan	L.Bailey	
Clarrie Coutts	Arch Harris	
J.Proudlock	J.Bush	
Les Brown	C.Connelly	
C.James	Alec Cameron	
ErnRichardson	E.Bush	
	Bush	
Dave Kaiser	A. Dunne	
Di McLaughlin	A. Dunne	
Final		0
Cessnock	1 v West Wallsend	U
J.Keeling	Jack Coutts	
G.Williams	H.James	
Service (1997) and the service	H.Muir	
W.Victor	Frank Coolaha	n
S.Bowden	Clarrie Coutt	
Eddie Hodge	J. Proudlock	
J.Harden		
E.Williams	Les Brown	
Perce Lennard	C.James	
Harden	Ern Richardso	n
H.Otto	Dave Kaiser	
Roy McNaughton(1		
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Di McLaughlin, the brilliant

1926 Season Kerr Cup Series There were thirteen entries for this season's Kerr Cup. The First Semi Final 5 v Weston Adamstown The second semi final 3 v Wallsend West Wallsend Kerr Cup Final 5 v West Wallsend 0 Adamstown Wally McKenzie R.Francis H.Muir Arch Harris Henry Maunder Art Lambert Frank Coolahan Vince Turnbull Clarrie Coutts
Ern Richardson
Frank Hayes
C. James
W"Podge"Maunder J. Bush L. Bailey C.Connelly Alec Cameron E.Spruce Dave Kaiser E. Bush Di McLaughlin A. Dunne

Stevenson Cup
West Wallsend won the Stevenson Cup beating Kurri Kurri
in a replay 7x3 after having played a 3x3 draw.

 $$\operatorname{\textsc{Gardiner}}$$ Cup A full round up of the Gardiner Cup will appear after the 1928 Competition.

Rumblings Of Discontent. During the latter half of this season all clubs became dissatisfied at the division of gate money.? BOTH IN THE LEAGUE AND CUP FIXTURES. Again Coalfields clubs objected to the clause which forced them to donate a "HOME GAME" to the match of the day at Hobart Park New Lambton. Even more hard were the conditions for the Gardiner Cup Ties. the net revenue went to the association, which showed little in return. To air their grievences, an illegal confrence was held at Weston when representatives of Aberdare, Adamstown, Cessnock, Kurri Kurri, Newcastle and Weston met under the chairmanship of Mr. Dai Rees. This group elected Mr.Bill Beaney as secretary of a movement which was called "STATE LEAGUE". One month later Mr. Beaney attended a similar conforence in Sydney. The State Association in Sydney were notified of this new idea and of the discontent among clubs, It could be said that the Sydney officials, with a degree of arrogance pushed the protest under the carpet. The (NDBFA)Northern District British Football Association censored certain Coalfields clubs and it's officials for their activity but this only bolstered the cause of the State Leagueites. The 1926 season had been highly successful as over

1926 Season

100.000 passed through the turnstiles of the new ground Hobart Park, an increase of 40.000 on last season at the Tramway Ground.

During the season quite a large crop of potential stars rose in the club ranks, among these were Jack"Digger"Evans, T. Hill, Ben McLaren Nip Connelly, Harry Otto, Roy Paddocks, H"Ginna"Pringle Scottie Wells, Jimmy Osborne, Jimmy McNabb, Ern Richardson, Sid Masters, Alf"Duckie"Henwood, Bill Victor, Jimmy Harden, Ted Odgers, and S. Wood of course there were many many more.

Player Register

Adamstown

A.Smith, R.Francis, Art Lambert, Arch Harris, L.Bailey, Vince Turnbull, J.Bush, E.Bush, O.Bush, D.Bush
Nip Connelly, Alec Cameron, Gavin Russell, H.Dent, A.Dunne
E.Spruce, J.Arthur, Iceton, Cook, D.McAllister,

Aberdare

T.Latter, J.B"Digger"Evans, Tonner, T.Hill, C.Hill, J.Strang, R.Lasker, J.Brown, Mathieson, B.McLaren, Mullens, McQuister, Stobba, T.Parker, G.Hartley, George Hancock, Tom Shakespeare.

Cessnock

S.Jones, T.Rollo, W.Thomson, G.Stokes, Eddie Hodge, C.Williams E.Williams G.Williams, Perce Lennard, Roy McNaughton J.Otto, J. Harden, J. Nelson, J. Keeling, D. Harden, G. Rennix, Odges.

Holmesville

T.Lennox, H.Shepherd, R.Strang, J.O'Driscoll.W.Linton, P.Strang, T.Coates, N.Dellica, W.Erickson, Roy Paddock, E.Linton

Kurri Kurri

G.Goodwin, J.Beddow, L.Rees, W.Bennett, H.Wilson, S.Kidd, T.McNabb, N.Price, H.Pringle, A.Phillips, R.Wells, W.Gartland, R.Bower, Stewart, W.Stewart, J.Reid, R.Paul R.Partridge, J.McCrae, Pat Cahill.

Newcastle

A. Stewart, E. Urwin, T. Nott, Robertson, Capp, A. Lewis, H. Johns J. Allan, R. Barry, P. Hogan, J. Gill, J. Heigh, A. McDale, Cowley, Faulkner, R. Scott.

New Lambton

P. Jordan, Heslop, Straker, H. Jordan, Bowden, Slavin, Blair Oughton, Ferguson, W. Zde, Bondi, A. Wilson, Davies, Bassett, Hill 1926 Season
Wallsend
T.Fenwick, H. Woods, Perce Moore, Joe Wardle, Ernie Owen
Rags Urwin, Frank Garraty, E"Paddy" Vials, Steve Tredinnick,
G. Hancock, W. Forrester, T. Hodge, E. Dunne, Jimmy Johnstone
F. Wills, Dan Rees, Jimmy Osborne, W. Walker, G. Mullins.

West Wallsend
Wally McKenzie, Henry Maunder, Bill "Podge" Maunder,
H. Muir, Frank Coolahan, Clarrie Coutts, "Sara" Woods,
J. Proudlock, C. James, Dave Kaiser, Les Brown, Di McLaughlin,
Ern Richardson G. Ross, S. Masters.

Weston
Lloyd, Jim Farrey, Jimmy McNabb, W.Roe, ,McGrath,
J.Maloney, McWilliams, J.McCroarey, Straker, Bryce, Young
J.Hodge, Grant, Boyce, Jack Mannion, Robertson, Henwood,
J.Drinkwater, Purcell, H.H. Graham, Bobby Austin,
B.Gibson, Harrod, W.Avis

Neath
Alec Horne, Alf Henwood, A. Baldwin, J. H. Drinkwater,
R. Parker, F. Pockett, R. Hughes, J. Jeffrey's, T. Purcell
Jack Drinkwater, Arch Horne, Wyles.

Registered Referee's
Fred Harvey, G. Francis, , G. Barnes, Jenkins,
A.C. Wright, Broadbent, Harry Pratten, Bede Pratten,
J. Biddlecomb, J. Harris, S. Smith, Charlie Nix, H. Williams,
George Brown, J. Sneddon, J. Parsons, B. Lane, F. Filby, R. Bailey,
McLaren, F. Rizzoli, R. Roberts, A. Jack, F. Denniss, Roxby,
W. Shipp, E. Rutherford, Wally Kidd, Mitchell.
J. Nicholson, W. Muddle, Terry, B. Morgan.

Referee's Officials were President.J.Biddlecomb Secretary Fred Harvey Treasurer B.Lane.



Annual Report for 1926

Trades Hall, Newcastle, on Saturday, 26th February, 1927, at 6p.m.

Gentlemen—

Your executive have pieasure in submitting the annual report for season 1726 for your consideration and adoption. In doing so, records with great satisfaction the hearty co-operation and assistance rendered by the Delegales to Council. Committees, Officials and members of the various Clubs. We especially thank the members of the Management Committee who have attended most regularly and adjudicated on the matters brought before them in an impartial manner.

PROCRESS

With the headquarters ground transferred to New Lambton, it was anticipated that through the dislocation the attendences would suffer, but we are pleased to report that over 43,000 persons paid for admission into Association grounds: and when it is taken into consideration that no international or interstate metches were staged, and the serious unemployment that was evident in the early part of the season, the code has certainly maintained its popularity of previous

COMPETITIONS

Seventy-siz teams entered in the various grades, the registered membership of which totalled 1520.

In the Senior Crade II teams entered, viz.: West Wallsend. Adamstown, Wallsend, Holmesville, Newcastle, New Lemoton, Cessnock, Weston, Kurri, Aberdare, and Neath. The whole of the previous acason's teams entered. Aberdare and Holmesville being the new entrants. Neath, however, were unable to continue, and the season closed with 10 teams.

West Wallsend, who gained 12 points, were premiers, and won the Premiership Medals and the Ellis Cup. The Final trophics were won by Cassnock, who deleated West Wallsend—one goal to nil.

The Reserve Grade was conducted in conjunction with S.M.B.F. Asen, and six teams from each Asen, entered. The Premierahip was won by Kearsiey and the Final trophies were won by Weston, who defeated Pelaw Main in the final.

Third Grade

The Third or A Grade attracted 10 entries, and two rounds were played. Walliend, who finished on 28 points, secured the Lyall Cup and Premiership Triphies, while Cardiff, by defeating Wallsend in the final—2 goals in 1—received the Final Trophies.

Fourth Grade

In the Faurth Grade 23 teams entered, and the competition was conducted in two divisions. Preniess in each division to receive a Cun and trophies, the four leading teams in each division to play a knock-out for the Final Traphies.

In the A Division, Jesmond were Promiers on 19 points, and received the Scott Cup and Trophies, while Boolaroo were successful.

in the B Division, sies on 19 points, and secured the Bryant Cup and Trophies. Adamstown won the Knock-out Final and Trophies, defeating Jesmand 6 goals to 2.

B Grade

The B or Under 18 Competition was responsible for 16 entries, and was also conducted in two divisions. Two rounds were played. Winners of each division received a Cup and Trophies. Winners of the knock-out to also receive trophies.

Adamstown, on 24 points, were A Division Premiers, and won the Wills Cup and Trophies, while Wallsend on 27 points, were B: Division Premiers, and secured the Sneesby Cup and trophies. Wallsend were also successful in the final, defeating Cardiff by 3 goals to nil.

C Grade

The C or Under 16 Competition attracted 10 entries, two rounds being played. West Wallsend were Premiers on 33 points, and secured the Howard Cup and Trophies; while Wallsend, by defeating West Wallsend in the final—3 goals to nil— won the Final Trophies.

A complete table of the whole of the above Competitions is a follows:

Senior Grade		P	w	L	D	F	A	P:a.
West Wallsend		18	15	1	2	65	22	32
Adamstown /		.19	14	4	ī	86	32	29
Cessnock		19	14	4	i	63	32	29
Aberdare	****	19	11	6	2	45	36	24
MUTTI		18	8	6	7	50	37	20
Wallsend		18	7	5	6	36	33	20
Weston		18	8	9	1	57	41	17
Moimesville		19	6	13	0	25	63	12
14GACBILLE		19	3	15	1.	34	75	7
New Lambton	* ****	19	3	16	0	16	86	6
Third Grade	P	w	L	D		F	A	Pts.
Wallsend	16	14		,	0	44	14	28
Cardin	16	12	2	2	ž	50	20	26
DOGIATOC	16	ii		4	î	31	25	21
Droadmeadow	16	9		5	2	31	21	20
I eraiba	16	7		6	î	26	29	17
Dernaley	16	6		9	i.	17	36	11
Diocklen	16	5	- 1	0	1	13	44	ii
C.M. Bay	16	3	1	3	0	4	29	6
Merewether (Withdrew)	-	-	11.00		0001			
Adamstown (withdrew)								

Fourth Grade	P	w	L	1	,	FA	Pts.
Jesmond	10	9	0	1	53	6	19
Adamstown (1)	10	7	1	2	44	10	16
Merewether	10	7	1	2	22	7	16
Magpies	10	6	3	1	29	19	13
N. Lambton	10	5	3	2	11	23	12
Newtown	10	4	5	ï	34	21	9
Maylield	10	3	6	1	15	11	7
Adamstown (2)	10	3	6	1	15	21	7
Broadmendow'	10	3 3	16	1	18	29	7
Stockton	10	2	8	0	7	36	4
Newcastle	10	0 1	0	0	5	48	0

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BiDivision Boolaroo West Wallsend Wallsend Ilulareville Charlestown Redhead Kahibah Jesmond (2) Dudley Tersiba Barnsley Rhondda B Grade P Adamstown Hamilton Merewether	9 1 1 8 1 2 2 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	1 2 2 3 1 2 2 0 0 0 D 2 1 1 1	64 51 36	19 16 21	19 18 18 13 13 12 11 10 8 4 4 0 Pts.
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KERR CUP (Northern Senior Championship)

This Competition, which was again restricted to Northern teams. was responsible for 14 entries. The semi-final four were West Wallsend, who defeated Wallsend; Adamstown, who defeated Weston. The hnil wit wot by Adamst will who defeated Veston. The hnil wit wot by Adamst will who defeated Vest Wallsend 5 goals to nil, and thus were holders of the Kerr Cup for two years in succession. Included herewith is the complete list of winners since inception of Cup:

1914	Merewether		Wellsend
1915	Merewether		West Wallsond
1916	No Competition	1923	Cesenock
	No Competition	1924	West Wallsend
	West Wallsend	.1925	Ademetown
	West Wallsend	1926	Adamstown
	West Wallsend		

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS CUP (Northern Junior Championship)
Sixteen teams entered this Competition. Cardle winning the Cup
Trophies by deleasing Jesmond in the final, 3 geals to mil.

I JMH. FOOTBALL: 30/9/1926

BRITISH ASSOCIATION. THE STATE LEAGUE.

Fifteen clubs were represented at the weekerd conference, presided over by Mr. D. Hees (Kurn Kurri); conversed by Mr. W. Beaney (Weston). Jeingutes attended from Aberdare, Cosmock, hurri Kurn Weston, Adamstown, Newcastle, Wallsend, Bulgorie, Corrimal, Thirronl, Womana, Annualdale-Leichhald, Canterbury, Granville, and Gladewille-Ryde, and stating unofficial representation, on account of the Metropolitan Association's attitude towards the proposal. The secretarie referred to the contenues already held in Cosmock and Weston, and claimed that antagonism to the N.S.W. F.A. was hardly correct, as it was desired to improve the game, not to operate till 1927, and to endeavour to become a self-governing units of the N.S.W. F.A.

A resolution that the time was not opportune and defeated, and, with three dissentients, it was agreed to hold another conference a month bence, for the purpose of forming the State League, each some club to send one representative, N.S.W. F.A. executive to be invited to co-operate and attend.

The South Maltiand propagandists received sold support from Balgownia and Woohous.

BELLBIRD

Competitive soccer began in 1926 as a result of the enthusiasm for soccer due to the visit of the English professional team to Cessnock in 1925.

Bellbird entered 3rd grade, U16 and U14 teams in the S.M. competitions. In 1927, its entries consisted of 3rd grade, U18 and U16. 1928 and 1929 saw the number of entries increased to four — viz. seniors, U19, U16 and U14. It was, however, in 1930 that the "Bells" won its way to the senior final to be beaten by Kurri by 3 to 0. Its team on that occasion comprised: Alderson, McQueen, Jenkins, Edwards, Banner, T. Shakespeare, Ferguson, Collins, Cummings, J. Shakespeare, Davies.

Bellbird had previously been beaten finalists in 1928 — down to Pelaw Main at Weston. A Scot forward from Armidale, Jock Pettigrew set up a club record of 25 goals in the season. Very little is known of the club's activities till 1943 when Bellbird joined a Coalfields League. Of 14 matches played, it won 5, drew 7 and lost 2. Among its goalscorers were J. Bamback (14), R. Edmunds (5), A. Randall (3), C. Cook (3), A. McKendry (2), J. Dunncliffe (2), W. George (2), S. Parkes (2).

In the Maitland sectional final at Weston, Bellbird went down to Kurri by 3 to 2 in a thrilling match only won in the 89th minute.

Bellbird's eleven comprised L. McKendry, J. Evans, W. Mc-Kendry, J. Rankin, S. Parkes, R. Edmunds, R. Dunnicliffe, J. Bamback, A. McDonald, A. Rankin, G. Simpson.

Lack of scoring power gave Bellbird a poor record in 1944 when it finished eighth in a nine-team Northern League competition. Of the 15 matches played, it lost 11, won 3 and drew 1. Its goalscorers were: S. Myles 10, J. Bamback 5, R. Edmunds 4, R. Dunnicliffe 3, A. Simpson 2. In the State Cup, the "Bells" beat Dudley by 3 to 1, but were knocked out in the second round by Kearsley at Kearsley by 3 to 1.

In 1948, Bellbird joined a reformed 2nd Division Northern League.

It qualified for the final but went down to Cardiff by 2 to 1 at Wallsend.

Its eleven comprised N. Evans, S. McKendry, L. Crawley, B. Davis, R. Dunnicliffe, F. Price, N. Crawley, J. Bamback, L. Simpson, A. Thomson, R. Edmunds. Reserves were G. Waugh, H. Vernon, H. Campbell, T. Sommerville. During the season goalscorers were: J. Bamback 21, A. Thomson 14, L. Simpson 10, R. Edmunds 6, R. Dunnicliffe 4, H. Campbell 4.

Then followed a period of stagnation due to the short-sighted policy of the Northern Directors in limiting entry to Reserve Grade to recognised State League clubs — a policy which left the smaller clubs like Bellbird. Paxton, Kearsley, Aberdare, Greta Main without a suitable competition. This ban ended in 1956 when Bellbird entered a Northern League competition.

In a 7-team series. Bellbird won 5, lost 5, drew 4. In the Northern League Cup, it created a club record by defeating Kurri by 10 to 1 in the first round. However, it did not proceed in this series. Its best scorers were J. McLaren 10, A. Thomson 10, M. Sternbeck 7, W. Radnidge 4, S. Parkes 4, W. Burgoyne 3, C. McDonald 3, A. Stevenson 3.

In the premiership semi-final it bowed out to Blacksmith by 10 to 2. Its eleven included B. McKendry, A. Thomson, N. McKendry, A. Radnidge, A. Mitchell, R. Carmichael, G. Stevenson, J. McLaren, A. Sternbeck, S. Parkes, W. Burgoyne.

There was a break in club activities till 1963, when the "Bells" entered a recently established 3rd Division. Of the 18 matches played, Bellbird won 11, lost 3, drew 4, finishing in third position, a highly creditable performance.

In 1964, Bellbird excelled by finishing second to Hamilton Azzurri — 2 points only off after 22 games. It scored 80 goals to opponents' 28. It remained undefeated in 11 home games. In the semi-final it defeated Toronto Diggers by 3 to 1. After a 2 all draw in the final against South Wallsend, the "Bells" went down in replay by 5 to 2. During the season, R. Jones (12), D. Davies (11), D. Glenn (11) were the top scorers.

Its success won for it promotion to the 2nd Division in 1965. Weak defensive play saw it in ninth position while its second string was listed eighth. Worse followed in 1966 and Bellbird took out the woodenspoon with only 11 points in 18-match series.

In 1967, Bellbird fought back with commendable flack to take out the flag in the 3rd Division. Its record was a very proud one played 22, won 21, lost 0, drew 1; goals for 114, goals against 24: points, 43 out of a possible 44. Its home record was played 11, won 11, lost 0, drew 0. Goals for 60, goals against 11. Its 14 to 2 and 18 to 0 wins over R.A.A.F. were club records.

Unfortunately individual records were not available, but Davies, Glenn and Dunne all passed the 20 goal record. In 1968, Bellbird operated among stronger opposition in the 2nd Division. It shared eighth place with Dudley and Jesmond.

A new Amateur League (North) was inaugurated in 1969 and Bellbird did very well to finish second to South Cardiff. It scored 89

goals to opponents' 20. In the 2nd Division in 1971 the "Bells" took out the wooden-spoon with eight points, conceding 105 goals to opposition marksmen.

Another poor season in 2nd Division in 1972, Bellbird finishing last in the three grades. Such a drubbing sent the club into a senior recess.

Concentration was then turned to local juniors.

CRYSTAL PALACE GROUND CAVES IN. 16th April, 1927(Easter) Saw the Crystal Palace Football Ground cave in.

Over 12 inches of rain tumbled down in just four day's, which caused a massive cave of the workings of C.PIT. This fall in ,left a giant hole of some 50 yards long, 40 yards wide, and over 35 foot deep.

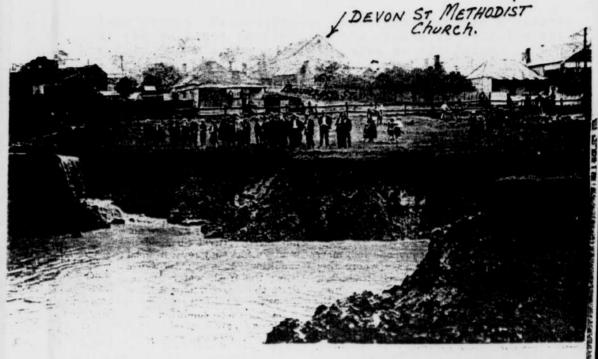
Parts of Nelson, Tyrell, Council, and Boscowen streets were many feet deep. Water flowed through Thomas Mansfield, John Truscott, The Co-op Store, The Salvation Army Church Hall, and the Ambulance Brigade Hall also suffered. as did Lightfoots Furniture Store on the corner of Tyrell and Council Streets.

Low lying areas of Summerhill and the old Wallsend Race Course, Ironbark Creek, and the Hexham Swamps were also under water.

Within a few weeks The Newcastle Wallsend Coal Co, commenced filling this massive fall in with Chitter from the old Elermore Vale workings.

The coal company constructed a makeshift line down behind Bunn and Boundary streets to fill this giant hole. Just three days before the cave in Miners had been at this part of the coal face. The C.Pit mine employed between 250 and 300 miners.

The football club were forced to move the ground forward some 50 or 60 yards towards the old Tram Depot. It took many years before this hole was completely filled. Each year the Chitter would burn ,giving off a very offensive smell.



'Lake'Crystal Palace:Heavey Easter rain caused a cave-in at the Wallsend Football Club's ground in 1927.leaving a deep 'puddle'(Newcastle Morning Herald(Photo)

1927 Season
President.J.H.Bloomfield
Vice President.J.Mills
Secretary.P.J.Shepperd
Assist.Secretary.W.J.Stevens
Treasurer.A.Stewart.

Management Committee.W.Harrod, Tom Crawford, W.Kidd, Fred Harvey, R.J.Skillings.

1927 will always be remembered in Football circles as "the year of the Great Breakaway". The central figures in the dispute were the NSW officials, Sid Storey, and Bill Beaney, Secretary of the Weston Club 1921-1927) n the beginning, Sydney journalist Alec Boyd said that "Sid Storey had might on his side but Bill Beaney had right". When the storm began to gather momentum, the NSW Executive appointed two sub-committees to investigate the position of wheter or not to form a State League. Their job was to present two reports-one in favour of the formation and the other against. When both were presented later in the season, very little was gained but they did reveal that both the "loyalists" and the "rebels" (as termed by the Sydney press)onthe coalfields were willing to fight the issue to the bitter end. A "shadow cabinet was formed by the rebels with Tom Crawford gaining the Presidency. He was joined by Bill Beaney, the Weston Secretary. George Winship from Kurri Kurri, J. Lowe (Aberdare) and J. Mather Weston. This group was given the green light to proceed with the State League, although the 1927 season was still in progress.

Bill Beaney was seconded from his job and sent to Sydney and Woonona to lecture clubs and players on the aim of the

State League.

Ellis Cup

1927	Aberdare	Adema'n	Crasnock	Holmes -	Kurn	New	Newcastle	Wallsend	Weston	West Wallsend
Bis Cup	1	II.		ville	Kurri	Lambton				*******
Aberdare	x	2-1, 8-3	1-6, 2-4	6-0, 1-5	3-1, 2-1	5-2, 3-0	5-1, 5-2	0-0, 3-3	6-2, 5-3	0-1, 1-2
Adamstown	3-8, 1-2	x	2-2, 1-4	4-2, 2-6	5-2, 2-3	5-2, 2-1	7-1, 3-2	UF, 4-1	5-3, 2-4	4-0, 2-0
Cessnock	4-2, 6-1	4-1, 2-2	×	3-0, 5-1	3-3, 3-2	8-0, 1-3	12-1, 7-0	3-1, 5-2	5-2, 5-2	W/F, 1-1
Holmesville	5-1, 0-6	6-2, 2-4	1-5, 0-3	×	1-5, 2-3	2-1, 0-6	1-0, 7-0	0-2, 0-2	2-1, 3-1	1-5, 1-4
Kurri Kurri	1-2, 1-3	2-5, 3-2	2-3, 3-3	5-1, 3-2	×	4-2, 5-5	5-1, 4-1	5-0, 4-3	1-2, 2-2	1-5, 1-5
New Lembton	0-3, 2-5	2-5, 1-2	3-1, 0-8	1-2, 6-0	2-4, 5-5	х	6-4, 4-1	3-1, 0-1	1-1, W/F	0-2. 0-3
Newcastle	1-5, 2-5	2-3, 1-7	0-7, 1-12	0-1, 0-7	1-5, 1-4	4-6, 1-4	x	3-5, 1-8	1-10, 0-9	0-5, 0-13
Wallsend	3-3, 0-0	W/F, 1-4	2-5, 1-3	2-0, C-2	0-5, 3-4	1-3, 1-0	5-3, 8-1	×	3-6, 5-6	1-3, 3-6
Weston	3-5, 2-6	4-2, 3-5	2-5, 2-5	1-2, 1-3	2-1, 2-2	1-1, L/F	10-1, 9-0	6-3, 6-5	×	1-4, 2-5
West Wallsend	1-0, 2-1	0-2, 0-4	1-1, UF	5-1, 4-1	5-1, 5-1	2-0, 3-0	13-0, 5-0	6-3, 3-1	4-1, 5-2	1-6

The Point score was
Aberdare(24)Adamstown(21)Cessnock(31)Holmesville(14)
Kurri Kurri(19)New Lambton(14)Newcastle(0)Wallsend(12)
Weston(14)West Wallsend(29)

1927 Czechoslovaki (Bohemie) Tour details 3 v Bohemie 11(Perth): 5/5/1927 West Australia 7/5/1927 West Australia 4 v 6(Cottesloe) - 11 11(Adelaide) 11/5/1927 South Australia 1 v 2(Adelaide) 14/5/1927 Australian X1 1 v 11 17 18/5/1927 Victoria 0 v 1(Melbourne) 21/5/1927 Australian X1 1 v 4(Melbourne) *** 25/5/1927 9(Wagga Wagga) Wagga Wagga 0 v 17 28/5/1927 5 v NSW 4(Sydney) 11 1/6/1927 South Coast 1 v 2(Woonona) 4/6/1927 Northern District 4 v 11 5(Newcastle) 11 4 V 6/6/1927 Australia(1st) 6(Sydney) 8/6/1927 South Maitland 3 v 1(Cessnock) ** 11/6/1927 Queensland 3 v 2(Brisbane) 11 5(Ipswich) 15/6/1927 Ipswich 3 v ** 18/6/1927 Australia(2nd) 5 v 5(Brisbane) ** 5 v 21/6/1927 Newcastle 2(Newcastle) ** 3 v 23/6/1927 Metropolis 5(Sydney) 11 2 v 2/7/1927 West Australia 3(Cottesloe) ** 0 v 5(Sydney) Australia ** 2 v 2(Melbourne) Australia

Titch Thompson(Balgownie)

The 3rd Test Australia 4 v Bohemia
Sydney
H.McKissock(Aberdare)
Eddie Hodge(Cessnock)
W.Brown(Eastern Suburbs)
A.Murray(Q)
A.Marshall(Q)
A.Park(Q)Capt)
Stan Bourke(Granville)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)1)
Clark(Q)2)
H.Robertson(Balmain Gladestone(1)

South Maitland 3 v Bohemia 1
Pit Paddock Cessnock 8/6/1927
H.Ashcroft(Kurri)
Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri)
Eddie Hodge(Cessnock)
S.Kidd(Kurri Kurri)
Jack Taylor(Cessnock)
J.Harden(Cessnock)
E.Williams(Weston)
J.McKay(Kurri Kurri)
Jack Mannion(Weston)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare)
Reserves
C.Williams(Cessnock)
T.Rollo(Cessnock)

5 v Bohemia Australia 2nd Test Brisbane Halls(Q) Eddie Hodge(Cessnock) T. Traynor(Q) A.Murray(Q) A.Marshall(Q) A.Park(Q) A. Edwards (Granville) Titch Thompson(Balgownie) Alec Cameron (Adamstown) Judy Masters(Balgownie) M.Stale(Q) R.Kyle(Gladesville Ryde H.Robertson(Balmain Gladestone) Clark(Q) H.McKissock(Aberdare) Les Brown (West Wallsend) E.Bennie(Eastern Suburbs) Stan Bourke(Granville

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1927 Season
         Czechoslovakia (Bohemia Tour.
 Players.
V. Belik. F. Krejci. A. Kasper. F. Hockinnan. W. Pinc. J. Prusek.
J. Wimmer. J. Hrizeck. J. Hybs. A. Masata. W. Rubes. J. Hendrych.
J.Kucera.J.Moucha.J.Einser.D.Havlin.F.Sebul.
                              5 v Bohemia
New South Wales
           Sydney Showground 28/5/1927
E. Aitchison (Granville)
                                    Sebul
Arch Harris (Adamstown)
                                    Krejci
J. Crum(Sydney)
                                   Kaspar
Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)
                                   Hockinnan(1)
Gil Storey (Balmain Gladestone) Pinc
Harry Spurway(Granville)
                                   Prusek
Stan Bourke(Granville)
                                   Wimmer
Alec Cameron (Adamstown) 3)
                                   Hrizeck
                                . Masata(1)
Judy Masters(1)Balgownie)
                                   Havlin(1)
A. Veigal(1)Woonona)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
                                   Spic(1)
W.Brown(Eastern Suburbs)
                          3 v Bohemia
Newcastle
                 Hobart Park. 4/6/1927
P. Jordan (New Lambton)
Arch Harris (Adamstown)
Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri)
Frank Coolahan(1)West Wallsend)
Jack Taylor(Capt)Cessnock)
Les Bailey (Adamstown)
C. James (1) West Wallsend)
Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
Gavin Russell(1)Adamstown)
Jack Mannion (Weston)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
                   Referee Fred Harvey
                 Charlie Nix-B.Lane
                   4 v Bohemia
Australia
               Sydney 6/6/1927 1st Test
E. Aitchison (Granville)
J. Crum(Sydney)
T. Traynor(Q)
Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend)
  Calderwood(Vic)
Harry Spurway(Granville)
Stan Bourke(Granville)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)
Judy Masters(Capt)Balgownie)
A.J. Veigal (Woonona)
Roy McNaughton(Cessnock)
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The Book Of Football
        Metropolitan 3 v Bohemia
                   23/6/1927
H.McKissock
J.Crum(Annandale)
W. Brown (Canterbury)
J. Chen (Pyrmont)
W.Salvage(Eastern Suburbs)
W.Byers(Balmain)
J. Hain (Gladesville)
J. Callaghan (Pyrmont)
A.Bennie(East Suburbs)
F.Bradey(East Suburbs)
E. Waldron (Granville)
Reserves
F. Montergomery (Gladesville)
J.McKinney(Pyrmont)
A. Thompson (Annandale)
                        4 v South Coast
Metropolitan
                              Smith
H.McKissock
                              Critcher
F.Montergomery
                              Parker
E. Pont
                              Casely
J.Cohen
                              Cheney
W.Salvage
                              Sharples
W. Byers
                              Murphy
J. Hain
                              Wilson
  Jones
                              G.Smith(1)
H.McCaw(1)
                            McEwan
R.Kyle
                              Seth
H.Robertson(3)
               Referee A.W.Bates
The Third Test at Sydney 25/6/1927
Australia
                         4 v Bohemia
H.McKissock(Aberdare)
Eddie Hodge(Cessnock)
W.Brown(Eastern Suburbs)
A.Murray(Q)
A.Marshall(Q)
A.Park(Q)Capt)
Stan Bourke(Granville)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)1)
 Clark(Q)2)
H.Robertson(Balmain Gladestone)1)
Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
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1927 Season
Player Register
Adamstown
Harold Johns.Arch Harris.Claude Watt.Art Lambert.D.Burt.
Les Bailey.Harold.S.Parker.Alec Cameron.A.Dunne.
Billy Morgan.Arch Connelly.Vince Turnbull.Dai Williams
J.Jobling.R.Watts.J.Bush.Hanlon.T.Hodge.T.Iceton.
Butterworth.J.Arthur.J.Golightly.G.Hall.Vince Garraty.
Frank Garraty.A.Hopkins.Gavin Russell.J.Foster.R.Francis
F.Hayes.D.Bush.Peter Doyle.E.Bush.

New Lambton.D.Morgan.Roy Scott.J.Allan.J.Cain.W.Blair. Jack"Dingie"O'Brien.J.Robertson.H.Coates.H.Dent,J.Bell. E.Spruce.J.Knott.H.James.H.Griffiths.S.Bach.H.Maunder. Cox.D.Rees.W.Carr.D.Budden.R.Bondi.H.Hincks.W.Spowart. Jack Blair.A.Young.E"Paddy"Vials.G.Anderson.J.Mullins. Strackner.H.Marshall.A.Phillips.P.Jordan,J.Mellows.

Cardiff
T.Simmons.O.Bush.T.Withers.Jack Lonsdale, T.Coates.
T.McGibbon.A.Hopkins.Laurie Nelson.C.Whitton.Preston
J.Henderson.H.Walters.R.Post.C.Wilson.N.Givens.A.Roy.
T.Fenwick.J.Wilson.J.Iceton.A.Straker.H.Bott.

Wallsend
Ray Ridley.Rueb"Hippo"Coleman.E.Warboys.F.Moore.
Jim Tredinnick.Harry"Moon"Woods.Rags Urwin.Eric Urwin
Keith Urwin.Jimmy Mullens.Artie Walker.J.Murnain.
Harry"Snow"Hetherington,Tom"Lucky"Hetherington.
R.Bullen.W.McCormack.W.Jackson.A.Lang.A.Knott.G.Mullins.
R.Williams.J.McGorran.Jack Hirst.H.Warboys.Eck Hardes.
Jimmy Johnstone.Perce Moore.Bill Walker.E.Porter.
A.Drysdale.H.Hardes.T.Horseburg.Billy Thomas,Bryden.
Albert Partridge.H.Donkin.R"Dick"Neal. West.H.Murnane.
J"Dingy"O'Brien.

West Wallsend.

Jack Coutts. "Sara"Woods.H.James.W.Gracie.Porter.

Roy Paddock.Frank Coolahan.Parkinson.H.Muir.Dave Kaiser
C.James.W.Evans.Di McLaughlin.Les Brown. Grant.Daniels
Clarrie Coutts.Ern Richardson.Martin.Campbell.G.Ross
G.Burton.F.Pickering.Pilcher.H.Walters.W"Podge"Maunder
T.Hodge.J.Hodge.J.Proudlock.G.Williams

Holmesville
A.Paterson.E.O'Donnell.Bill"Sykes"Erickson.W.Linton.
A.Straker.M.Cameron.A.Pilcher.W.Kelly.T.Linton.J.Muir.
Wally McKenzie.F.Linton.R.Strang.W.Humphreys.R.Coates.
R.O'Donnell.Jim Lennox.J.Mullins.P.Davidson.W.Stewart.
Tom Sinclair.R.Einsar.G.Mullins.E.Shepperd.
R"Dick"Sneddon.Roy Paddock,

1927 Season
Weston
W.Nicholls.W.Butler.W.Thompson.G.Roe.Graham.P.Tate
S"Pongo"Grant.R.Musgrave.G.Gibson.Jack Mannion. Blane
E.Williams.Tommy Oliver.J.McCroarey.Jim"Dummy"Williams
Charlie Thompson.Ellis.E.Odgers.W.Avis,T.McNabb.
Jimmy McNabb.R"Bungi"Gibson.Jack Avis.Maynard.Richards.

Aberdare
J.Fox.Sterritt.Moore.Tom Shakespeare.E.Hill.Jim Kemp.
E.Kemp.Aubin.D.Rae.Turner.Jarvie.Jack.B."Digger"Evans.
A.Thompson.Quinn.Brannon.Jack Drinkwater.E.Mitchell.
Conner.H.Brennan.Stobba.J.Rowe.D.Irvine.D.Tonner.J.Tonner.
W.Mathieson.W.Weir.G.Wilkinson.J.Strang.J.Nelson.
Alf"Ducky"Henwood T.Stobba,G.Mitchell

Kurri Kurri
H.Ashcroft.Jim Beddow.Jim Farrey.S.Kidd.H.Maunder.
R.Wells.J.McKay.N.Price.S.Bartley.H.Pringle.Sid Masters.
G.Goodwin.L.Paul.H.Richards.E.Hughes.R.Bower.H.McCaw
Barclay.R.Partridge.S.Gartland.J.Warren.L.Rees.J.McCann.
J.Winning. W.Winshipp.T.Kidd.

Newcastle United
J.Davidson.S.Alcock.G.N.Blum.J.Robertson.W.S.Kerr.J.Batey.
A.Dyes.W.Blackhurst.A.Young.A.Stewart.J.McKersall
A.Free.Webster.J.Dickens.Faulkner.Morgan.H.Duncan.
W.Blair.H.Reid.R.Cowley.G.Webster.J.Webster.C.Donald
L.Hindley,J.Smith,Hoyles,R.McGill,S.Fleetwood.J.Wild

Cessnock
A.McPherson.J.Kelling.B.Parsons.R.Austin.S.Bowden.W.Victor.
J.McWilliams, T.Rollo.Eddie Hodge.W.Carroll.T.Green.
W.Gregory.H.Otto.J.Gilmore.Jack Taylor.J.Harden.P.Hogan
Jack Wilkinson.C.Williams.Perce Lennard.B.McLaren.
Roy McNaughton.A.Parks.C.Thompson.J.McPherson.J.Smillie.
P.Hogan.

Reserve Grade entries Kurri Kurri.Wallsend.Dudley.Neath.Hebburn.Pelaw Main. Bellbird.Cardiff.

3rd Grade
Jesmond.Teralba.Boolaroo.Adamstown.Broadmeadow.Stockton.
Barnsley.Vickers.Mayfield.

4th Grade (A)
Adamstown.Broadmeadow.Cardiff.Catherine Hill Bay.Dudley
Charlestown.Hamilton No.1.Hamilton No.2.Kahibah.
Merewether.Advance.New Lambton.Redhead

4th Grade(B)
Wallsend.West Wallsend.Cardiff.Jesmond.Boolaroo.Teralba.
Holmesville NO.2 Holmesville No.1. Barnsley.Mayfield.
Stockton.Babers.

1927 Season U/18 Grade Adamstown.Wallsend.Dudley.Cardiff.West Wallsend. Hamilton North.Boolaroo.Jesmond.New Lambton.Broadmeadow. Merewether Advance.Teralba.Redhead.

U/16 Grade
Wallsend.Hamilton.New Lambton No.1.New Lambton No.2.
West Wallsend.Broadmeadow.Adamstown.Holmesville.
Boolaroo.Merewether Advance.Cardiff.Hamilton North.
Catherine Hill Bay.

Newcastle Registered Referee's

A. Harris. B. Lane. Sibley. Rizzolli. H. Hincks. Fred Harvey
R. Burns. H. H. Winley. J. Sneddon. G. Bartley. H. Williams
F. Denniss. W. Middleton. R. Roberts. S. Rudd. J. Roxby. J. Parsons.
W. Shipp. Matt Brown. S. Maitland. J. Nicholson. Charlie Nix.

South Maitland Stevenson Cup Teams
Neath/Abermain
R.MOrgan.A.Jackson.A.Baldwin.R.Hughes.J.Porteous.
R.O'Brien.E.Jeffries.E.Turner.J.Kemp.J.Drinkwater
F.Horne.T.Sinclair

Kearsley
F. Jones. A. Hodge. G. Argow. H. Kearsley. J. Atkinson. J. Patrick.
P. Burgoyne. T. Wilkinson. J. Rutherford. H. Charlton. M. Stevens

Hebburn Hunter.Partland.Gallagher.Roach.Doyle.Smith.A.Bates. J.Bates.P.Bates.J.Bell.Young

Newcastle Richardson Cup Entries(State U/21) Jesmond S.Parsons.H.Hugo.C.Doyle.J.Hugo.M.Bullock.T.Robinson F.Hugo.R.Sellwood.J.Bell.W.Garraty.W.Hall

Boolaroo A.Gessell.R.Martin.C.Holmes.G.Hitchcock.V.Jackson. A.Rees.J.McLaughlin.G.Robertson.J.Jackson.G.Spark. P.McLaughlin.

Hamilton S.Black.H.Sturgeon.H.Lochrin.G.Ashcroft.G.Brown.W.Denning. F.Frounde.J.Kibble.S.Rees.N.Saunders.W.Harvey.

1927 Aberdare Showground (March 1927)
A Pavilion kindly donated by the Superintendent of the Caledoniaion Collieries Ltd.was erected in two days by "Busy Bees" interested in the Aberdare Football Club.
The opening day Aberdare v Adamstown was officially kicked off by Mrs Noonan wife of J. Noonan a most Generous Patron of the Club

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Top Row.Y.T.Leung.S.W.Wong.K.S.Tso.Lau Kan.K.P.Kwok W.H.Pang.T.S.Lee.C.W.Chen Centre Row.Y.T.Lai.C.Y.Woo(Assist Manager) Prof.K.L.Wong(Manager)Leslie Kwong. W.T.Lee Front. K.C.Fung.K.T.Mak.H.H.Chou.K.I.Chan.

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1927 Season
Chinese Tour Details
                             6 v China 3(Sydney)
14/5/1927
          NSW
                                        O(Sydney)
                             2 v
18/5/1927
           Metropolis
                                    11
                                        2(Hobart Park)
                             7 v
21/5/1927
           Newcastle
                                        4(Melbourne)
           Victoria
                             3 v
25/5/1927
                                        4(Adelaide)
28/5/1927
                             2 v
          Sth Australia
                           1 v
                                        4(Perth)
 4/6/1927
          West Australia
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                            1 v
                                        2(Perth)
 6/6/1927 West Australia
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11/6/1927 West Australia
                             4 v
                                       .1(Perth)
                                        7(Adelaide)
16/6/1927 Sth Australia
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                                        3(Adelaide)
                             0 v
18/6/1927 Australia X1
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                             0 v
                                        4(Melbourne
22/6/1927
           Victoria
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                             4 v
                                        3(Melbourne)
25/6/1927
           Victoria
                                    **
                             6 v
                                        2(Melbourne
           Australian X1
 2/7/1927
                                    **
 7/7/1927
                             0 v
                                        4(Sydney)
           Metropolis
                                    **
                                        1(Sydney
9/7/1927
           Australia(1st)
                             6 v
                                    **
12/7/1927
           Gladesville Ryde 1 v.
                                        3(Gladesville)
                                    **
                                        1(Hobart Park)
13/7/1927
          Newcastle
                             4 v
                                    **
                             7 v
                                        4(Brisbane
16/7/1927
           Australia(2nd)
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           Brisbane(Lights) 3 v
                                        6(Brisbane)
18/7/1927
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                             2 v
20/7/1927
          Ipswich
                                        1(Hobart Park(Newcastle
                             1 v
           Australia(3rd)
23/7/1927
                                   11
                                        1(Cessnock)
3(Drill Hall K.Kurri).
25/7/1927
           South Maitland
                             1 v
                                  **
                             3 v
27/7/1927
           South Maitland
                                   **
                                        3(Wollongong)
                             6 v
30/7/1927
           Illawarra
                                   "
           Gladesville Ryde 3 v
                                        O(Gladesville)
3/8/1927
                                        6(Sydney)
4/8/1927 Metropolis
                             1 v
                                        2(Weston)
6/8/1927 South Maitland
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The Book Of Football 1927 Season On 25/7/1927 at the Pit Paddock Cessnock, The South Maitland side and China met 0 v China South Maitland H. Ashcroft (Kurri Kurri) W. Victor(Cessnock) J. Farrey (Kurri Kurri) Tom Shakespeare (Aberdare) J.B. "Digger"Evans(Aberdare) T.E.Hill(Aberdare) Jim Williams (Weston) Jack Mannion (Weston) S. Masters (Kurri Kurri) A.Gibson(Weston) H. Pringle (Kurri Kurri Referee J. Gilmour. On the 27/7/1927 two days later at the Drill Hall ground Kurri Kurri both teams met again 3 v China South Maitland H. Ashcroft (Kurri Kurri) Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri) Eddie Hodge(Cessnock) S.Kidd(Cessnock) C. Thompson (Weston) Jim Williams (Weston) J. Mackay (Kurri Kurri) Jack Mannion(3)Weston) N. Price (Kurri Kurri) Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare Jim Farrey(Kurri Kurri) Referee J.Gilmour. It took a third match to split these two teams, this time the match was played at the Homestead ground Weston.on the 6/8/1927. 3 South Maitland 4 v China

South Maitland 4 v
H.Ashcroft(Kurri Kurri)
Jim Farrey(Kurri Kurri)
Jim Beddow)Kurri Kurri)
S.Kidd(Cessnock)
C.Thompson(Weston)
J.B.Digger"Evans(Aberdare)
N Brennan(Aberdare
A.Weir(Aberdare)
H.Pringle(Kurri Kurri)
Jack Mannion(Weston)
Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare

Referee B. Evans.

1927 Season 3rd Test	
Australia 1 v China	1
23/7/1927 Hobart Park New	Lambton.
H.McKissock(Aberdare)	H.H.Chou
Arch Harris(Adamstown)	A.S.Lee
Eddie Hodge(Cessnock)	T.Lai
Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)	T.Leung
Clarrie Coutts(Capt)West Wallsend)	S.H.Wong
Les Bailey(Adamstown)	C.W.Chen
Alec Cameron(Adamstown)	H.S.Tso
Jack Mannion (Weston)	W.J.Lee (1)
Jack"Dingie"O'Brien(New Lambton) (1	
Jack Dingle O Brief(New Lambers)	K.C.Fung
Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare)	K.L.Chan
Stan Bourke(Granville)	
Referee B.Lane(Newcastle)

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL

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CHINA AND AUSTRALIA DRAW.

A very large crowd attended at Hohart Park on Saturday to witness the third test match between Australia and China. The Chinese opened quietly, and it looked as if Australia were going to have an easy victory, but the visitors improved as the game advanced, and gave the crowd pichty to enthuse over. The visitors appeared to be trained to the minute, and at times were too fast for their opponents. The goal with which China equalised was one of the best ever scored on the ground. Lee sending in a shot which few saw before it was in the net, and M Kissock, the Australian goalkeeper, on the ground. He had dived for the ball, but the ball beat him. The crowd appeared to lean towards the visitors, who were very popular, and played the game in the best spirit possible. They replaced Lau for Chan in the second half, and near the finish had Lee and Lai injured. Both soon recovered, and were quickly in the game again. Bennie, the Sydney Eastern Suburbs player, was unable to take part, and Mannion, the Weston player, was placed centre forward for Australia. Nine northern players were thus in the team.

Teams:—Australia.—Goal, H. M'Kissock; full-backs, A. Harris and E. Hodge; half-backs, F. Coolahan, C. Coutts, and L. Bailey; forwards, S. Burke, A. Cameron, J. Mannion, J. O'Brien, and J. Drink, water.

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China.—Goal, H. H. Chou; full-backs,
A. S. Lee and T. Lai; half-backs.—T.
Leung, S. H. Wong, and C. W. Chen;
forwards, H. S. Tso, W. T. Lee, L. K.
Tal, K. C. Fung, K. Li Chan.
Referee, B. Lane.

Lee won the toss for China, and hesitated before deciding to kick from the main end. After the preliminary clap had been given, Mannion kicked off for Australia. The ball went to Cameron, to Rourke, who slipped round Chen, but Laicut in and cleared. The ball was returned, and Australia again attacked. O'Brien headed over Leung and sent to the middle, where S. Lee intercepted and booted hard up the field. So far Australia had done all the attacking, and the spectators were beginning to anticipate a very easy victory. The Chinese appeared slow, and lacked vim. Suddenly they altered their tactics. They booted the ball hard, Every kick had a sting in it, and the ball was sent to their own man. Tso showed a pair of heels to Hodge, and then swung the ball to the centre. It was deflected to Fung, who was unmarked. Fung stopped the ball, and—then drew his foot well back, and to the shock of all sent the ball hard and high over the bar. China came again, and this time T. Lee lifted it too high. Australia carried play to China's goal, and the ball was lifted high into the centre. Chou ran out of goal and fisted the ball off Mannion's head down the field. The cheers for the save stopped when the Chinese goalkeeper was seen to fall. The ambulance men attended to him, and Chou soon recovered.

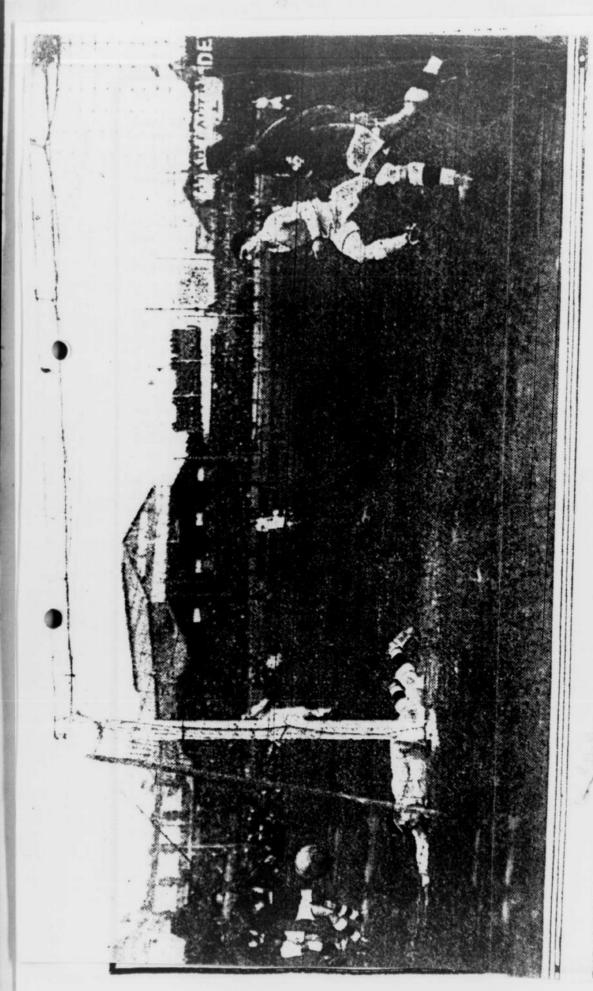
ped a long shot from Bailey and cleared O'Brien's return. Australia's only 'goal came from Coolahan's cross, O'Brien sending into the net as Manuion followed it. Australia, 1: China, O. Restarting, Australia came again; but Wong's head was in the way, and the ball-went to Tai, who sent hard up the left to Chan. Harris slipped, and Chan centred. A hot attack on Australia's goal resulted, McKissock just deflecting Fung's shot over the bar. The corner was cleared, but Loung returned the ball, which was going into the centre when it struck a defender, and went behind for a further corner. This was cleared. For some time China had the best of the game. They made the pace a cracker, and fed both wings, but when near goal they were weak. They either lifted the ball too high, or sent it with the score:

Australia, 1; China, 0.

Returning to the field Australia's attack was cut short. Wong stepped O'Brien, and sent out to Lau, who crossed, Hedge jumped and headed the ball away. Lee secured the ball, and he put it across the field. Fung misjudged the bounce, and Bailey cutting in secured and raced down the left. He sent to O'Brien, who gave to Drinkwater. The winger centred, but S. Lee cleared Playwas in Australia's penalty area when T. The secured and slipped over to the left and then shot. The cheers were deserved.—T. Lee had equalised for China, with a brilliant shot, and his team mates rushed him with their congratulations. After this neat play by Coolahan, Cameron, and Bourke was carried too far and when 'Chen got the chance be cleared without any hesitation. China came away. Coolahan kicked over the top of the ball, and as Fung was moving after it Harris got his foot to the ball and sent it away. China again began to swing the ball, and the Australian half-hacks were patchy. Courts was slow when he stopped Leung's pass, and so he lost the ball to Wong, who booted hard up the centre. Tal secured, but his shot went beyond the far post. Then T. Lee shot over the bar: China was playing well, and made graund quickly. They repeatedly intercepted passes sent by the Australian left wing was for a time quite subdued. Australia secured two free kicks, Chen, having used the elbow.

The kicks were cleared. Time was drawing on, and Australia became anxious. They attacked on the right wing, Cameron's shot was blocked, and a moment later he was too slow to accept O'Brien's cross. Then Mannion headed in, while Chou ran out and cleared Coutts' return. Lee was injured in a collision with Trinkwater, the Australian holding the Chinese player up until the game was stopped. Die soon resumed. Then T. Lee fell as O'Brien ran ahead. O'Brien's foot caught Lee on the head. The ball was left alone by O'Brien, and the ambulance men rushed on the field. Lee rose, and though groggy continued. Then Lai fell, and was helped off the field, but within a minute he was back on again. The end of the game favoured Australia, but the Chinese defence won through, the result being: China 1, Australia 1.

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1927 Season
New South Wales
                            6 v China
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                Sydney 14/5/1927
E.Aitchison(Granville)
Perce Moore(Wallsend)
Eddie Hodge(Cessnock)
Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)
Gil Storey(Balmain Gladestone)
Harry Spurway(Gladesville)
J. Hain (Annandale)
Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
Judy Masters(Balgownie)
J. Veigal (Woonona)
W.Kerr(South Coast)
Australia
                       6 v China
              Sydney 1st Test) 9/7/1927
H.McKissock(Aberdare)
J.Crum(Sydney)
Eddie Hodge (Cessnock). ....
Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)
Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend)Capt)
A. Park(Q)
Stan Bourke(Granville)
Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
Judy Masters (Balgownie)
Titch Thompson(Balgownie)
H.Robertson(Balmain Gladestone)
Australia
                        7 v China
                Brisbane 16/7/1927
  Hall(Q)
Steel(Q)
  Clark(Q)
A, Murray(Q)
A.Marshal(Q)
A. Park(Q)Capt)
T. Traynor(Q)
Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
J. Veigal (Woonona)
A. Edwards (Granville)
Alec Cameron (Adamstown)
H.Robertson(Balmain Gladestone)
**Would you please note that Mr. Hall took sick prior to
the match and Ernie Owen(Wallsend) Gaurded the Net.
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THE CHINESE GOALKEEPER, EFFECTING A WONDERFUL SAVE AT FULL LENGTH FROM LENNARD, THE BRILL WALES INSIDE RIGHT.

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1927 Season

Second Chinese Team Tours Australia. During the year China again visited Australia and the party consisted. Y.T. Leung. S.W. Wong. K.S. TSO, Lau Lau Kan, K.P. Kwok. W. H. Pang, T.S.Lee, C.E.Chen.Y.T.Lai, C.Y.Woo(Assist Manager) Leslie Kwong, W.T. Lee, K.C. Fung. K.T. Mak. H. H. Chou, K. J. Chan.

China Comes to Newcastle On 21/5/1927 China played Newcastle at Hobart Park, New Lambton a suburb of Newcastle. The teams were

7 v China Newcastle Hobart Park New Lambton.

H.H.Chou P. Jordan (New Lambton) Arch Harris (Adamstown) T.S.Lee Perce Moore(Wallsend) K. Lau Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend) Y.T. Leung Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend)S.W.Wong C.W.Chen J. Bush (Adamstown) K.S.Tso C. James (West Wallsend) Alec Cameron(3)Adamstown) K.C. Fung Gavin Russell(3)Adamstown) Y.T.Lai Jack O'Brien(1)New-Lambton) Y.T. Dei & WE! Towg W.J.Lee(Capt) E.Spruce(New Lambton

A second match between the two teams was played on 13/7/1927 4 v China Newcastle Jack Coutts (West Wallsend) Arch Harris (Adamstown) Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri) Frank Coolahan(1)West Wallsend) J. Taylor (Capt) Cessnock) L. Bailey (Adamstown) C. James (1) West Wallsend) Alec Cameron (Adamstown) Gavin Russell (Adamstown) Jack Mannion(Weston) Roy McNaughton(2)Cessnock)

Referee Fred Harvey.



Captains in the Newcastle ν China match Clarrie Coutts & China, Capt. Li Wei Tong Newcastle won 7.2.

NEWCASTLE BUSTLE TOO MUCH FOR CHINA

SCIENTIFIC VISITORS TIRE HALF-WAY

G. RUSSELL GETS "HAT-TRICK"

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	Cessnock	5	v	Wallsend	3
	Kurri Kurri	1	v	Adamstown	0
	West Wallsend			Aberdare	2
New Lamb	ton (Bye)				
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DOME TEL	West Wallsend	2.	v	New Lambton	1
	Cessnock	4	v	Kurri Kurri	1
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Cessnock			v	Jack Coutts H.James	3
Cessnock Bobby Au			v	Jack Coutts H.James S.Wood	3
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Cessnock Bobby Au T.Green H.Otto J.Harden	stin(1)		v	Jack Coutts H.James S.Wood C.James Clarrie Coutts(1)	
Cessnock Bobby Au T.Green H.Otto J.Harden B.McLare	stin(1)		v	Jack Coutts H.James S.Wood C.James	
Cessnock Bobby Au T.Green H.Otto J.Harden B.McLare A.Park	stin(1)		v	Jack Coutts H.James S.Wood C.James Clarrie Coutts(1) H.Muir	
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1927 Season Cessnock Winners Premiership, Kerr and Ellis Cups.



Back Row.T.Herd, W.Miller.J.Rennix, J.Harden, R.Barnes, Davis

2nd Row. A.Roach, G. Jack, T. Green, A. Park, R. Austin, E. Hodge, B. McLaren, J. Gilmore, H. Bews.

B.McLaren, J.Gilmore, H.Bews.
Front Row.T.Hepplewhite, W.Victor, J.Taylor(Capt)
T.Crawford(Pres) H.Otto, P.Hogan, B.Green(Sec)
Seated.C.Williams

Newcastle District British Football Association

ANNUAL REPORT for 1927

To be submitted to the Annual General Meeting, to be held at the Trades Hall, Newcastle, on Saturday, 18th February, 1928 at 7 p.m.

Centlemen .-

Your Executive have pleasure in submitting the Annual Report for Season 1927 for your consideration and adoption, and desire to thank the Delegates to Council. Committees, Officials and Members of the Clubs under their control for their assistance and hearty co-operation-

During the year under review, 5.1.577 persons paid for admission into grounds controlled by your Association (exclusive of club-controlled matches) and which was a very large increase on the previous year, due to the visits of the Chintse and Czycho-Slovakian teams.

INTERNATIONAL AND REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

The first team from H.M.S. Renown met a Newcastle eleven at Hobart Park on 9th April, and was defeated by 5 goals to 2.

CHINESE TEAM

On May 21st the touring Chinese team, managed by Professor K. L. Kwong, played on Hobart Park, and was defeated by 7 goals to 2 by a team selected from Newcastle only.

They were again defeated by Newcastle on July 13th, by 4 goals

On July 23rd the Third Test Match was played on Hobart Park, and

resulted in a draw, 1-1.

The tourists also played two draws, and were defeated once by the Maitland teams, the scores being 1-1, 3-3, and 4-2.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIAN MATCHES

The Cesche-Slovakian team met a selected Northern District team on Pleadeuerters on June 4th, and was victorious, defeating our representatives by 5 geals to 4

On June 21st they met a team from Newcastle only, and were defeated 5 goals to 2. The Mattland players also gained a victory over them by 3

goals to !.

The following players represented N.S.W. and Australia in the matches against the Czechs and Chinese, and to them we offer our congratulations-Alex Cameron (Adamstown) having the unique record of representing his State and Australia in every Test Match; T. Hodge (Cessnock), P. Moore (Wallsend), F. Coolahan (W. Wallsend), A. Harris (Adamstown), R. McNaughton (Cessnock), C. Coutts (W. Wallsend), L. Bailey (Adamstown), J. O'Brien (V. alisend), J. Drinkwater (Aberdare)

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES A team from this State visited Adelaide, and succeeded in winning the Marshall Shield, poing through the tour undefeated, scoring 42 goals against 2. The following players from this Assn. had the honor of representing the State. J. Butterworth (Adamstown), W. Morgan (Adamstown), H. Parker (Adamstown), W. Forrester (Wallsend), and W. Coolahan (W.W.).

We extend to those juniors our hearty congratulations. Previous to selecting the team that finally represented the State. Newcastle met Maitland Juniors twice and defeated them on both occasions.

the scores being 2-1 and 3-1.

The following boys from Newcastle Schools represented the State in Melbourne, and succeeded in again winning the Referee Challenge Shield—Walters, Herd, Ray, Patterson, D. and F. Harrison, and Hughes. Our heartiest congratulations are also extended to these boys.

After a long term of district football, the Rules and Revision meeting of last season decided that club football should operate for 1927, and which necessitated the revising of the rules. Every leniency was extended to the clubs by the Committee, but now that the clubs have had the experience of one season, it is hoped that they will conform strictly to the laws in the future.

Seventy-three teams entered in the various grades, the membership totalling 1530.

remaining teams being the same as the previous season.

Cessnock, who gained 31 points, were premiers, and won the Ellis Cup and Premiership medals. They also won the final trophies by defeating Adamstown 2 to nil.

RESERVE GRADE

The Reserve Grade was again conducted under the joint control of S.M.B.F.A. and N.D.B.F.A., and 14 teams entered, these being six from Newcastle.

Kurri won the double event, and accured the Middleton and the Harvey Cup and medals, defeating Wallsend in the final, 3 goals to 1.

THIRD GRADE

Nine teams entered in this competition, and two rounds were played. Teralba wen both the premiership and the final, gaining 29 points and secured the Lyall Cup and medals, and by defeating Buolaroo in the final (I to nil) secured the final medals also.

FOURTH GRADE

Twenty-three teams entered for this competition, and it was divided into two divisions. Premiers of each division received a Cup and medals, the two leading teams in each divisions playing off for the final trophies.

The A Division Premiership was won by Hamilton North, who gained 33 points, and received the Scott Cup and medals; while Wallsend, on 40 points, received the Bryant Cup and medals. West Wallsend won the Final trophies by defeating Wallsend 4 goals to nil.

UNDER 18

The Under 18 Competition was productive of some very fine foot-ball. Thirteen teams entered. Adamstown remaining undefeated, and scoring the maximum number of points—24. They also won the final, defeating W. Wallsend 3 to nil after playing a 1 all draw the previous week. Adamstown therefore secured the Wills Cup and two sets of medals.

UNDER 16

Twelve teams entered, and Wallsend again won the Howard Cup and medals, gaining 42 points; and also won the final trophics, defeating Hamilton by 4 goals to 1.

POINT SCORES

The Competition Tables are as follows:

SENIOR

	P.	F.	A.	Pts		P.	F.	A.	Pta.
Cesanock	18	77	24	31	Holmesville	18	38	50	16
W. Wallsend	18	64	19	29	Weston	18	58	55	14
Aberdare	18	58	37	24	N. Lambton	18	36	47	14
Ademetown	18	54	43	21	Wallsend		39	54	12
Kurri	18	52	47	19	Newcastle		16	116	0

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This competition was again restricted to Northern teams, and 14 teams entered. The Semi-final four were Kurri, Cessnock, W. Wallsend and New Lambton. Cessnock defeated Kurri 4 to 1, and W. Wallsend defeated New Lambton 2 to 1. The Final was played at Hobart Park and resulted in a draw, 3 all. The replay was ordered to be played at Weston, but W. Wallsend failed to raise a team, and Cessnock received the Kerr Cup and medals.

The following is the list of winners since the incention of the Cun-

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1914 Merewether	1921 Wellsend
1915 Merewether	. 1922 West Wallsend
1916 No Competition	1923 Cesenock
1917 No Competition	1924 West Wallsend.
1918 West Wallsend	1925 Adametown
1919 West Wallsend	1926 Adamstown
1920 West Wallsend	1927 Cesanock

SHERWIN. WILLIAMS CUP (Northern Junior Championship)
Nineteen teams entered, and West Wallsend and Adamstown met
in the Final, and played a 2 all draw. In the replay, W. Wallsend wan by
4 goals to 1, thus securing the Cup and medula.

GARDINER CUP: (State Champlenship)

7. This event was controlled by the State Association, and for the first time since (1922 a Northern team failed to win the coveted honour.

7. Ceasnock was defeated by Gladesville-Ryde in the Seminfinal at Weston. Gladesville afterwards won the event. To the winners we offer our congratulations. 11 my 4 11 1

· RICHARDSON CUP (Junior State Championship)

Cesanock West End was the successful team in this event. The nearest Newcastle team was Adamstown, who were defeated by the ultimate winners of Junior Championship event.

SCHOOLS' SOCCER

Thirty three teams entered in the various school competitions. The A. Grade was won by Technical College, B. Grade by Central (1), C. Grade by Piattsburg, and the D. Grade, which was divided into two sections, won by New Lambton and Wallsend.

The trophies were supplied by your Association, and the Finals and Semi-finals were played on Hobert Park on Friday afternions and also as early games to the big Saturday matches.

Representatives school matches between Sydney and Newcastle schools.

Representatives school matches between Sydney and Newcastle schools were played, and assistance was rendered the schools by appointing referees to these games. Every school playing Soccer was supplied with No.: 4 footballs, which were greatly appreciated, while financial assistance was also rendered the P.S.A.A.A. in an endeavour to foster the code in the schools, and letters of thanks and appreciation have been renewed from the Secretary of that Association.

The Mariat Brothers again conducted their own competitions, and the Cup and trophics were donated by your Association. Referers also assisted in these matches, and Bro. Patrick, who was sports innator for this competition, appreciated the assistance rendered.

GROUNDS

Hobart Park was again the Headquarters for Association-controlled Hobart Park was again the Headquarters for Association-controlled games. The playing area was a decided improvement on the previous season. During the early part of the year the drainage was not as effective as usual, the cause being broken pipes in the main line. These however, have since been replaced, and a large amount of top dressing has been used, which will make the playing area a great deal better.

Young Wallsend ground was also used for Junior games, and Weston and Aberdare Clubs' grounds were availed of by the Committee. We thank those clubs for their assistance in allowing the use of the ground to stage fixtures.

Hobert Park has now been let to the Australian Coursing Association for a term of five years at a very good rental, and an extra 510 hy 80 feet has been purchased and the fence has been removed and re-created on the new

been purchased and the lence has been removed and re-created on the new lines. The playing area fence has been extended and made an oval on the castern side, thereby catering for a large attendance. Extra turnstiles have been erected, and the ground greatly improved.

Twelve Saturdays have been reserved by your Association to stage the Cup ties and Final and Semi-final matches. From the revenue derived from the leasing of the ground the liability has been greatly relieved. When the full liability on this cround is paid off, it will be a wonderful asset and surety in assisting individual clubs to secure their own ground. surety in manieting individual clubs to secure their own ground.

The cash receipts for the year total £4053 16s 11th, which is an increase on the actual cosh receipts of last season. International matches were responsible for the increase in gate receipts, which totalled £3303 16s 6d —an increase over the previous year of £1045 16s 3d. Rental of Hobert Park of £462 is also a noticeable item of revenue. . 41

Czecho-Slovakians' Clever Soccer SUCCESS DESERVED

SATURDAY'S MATCH

(By "Goalle")

The Czecho-Slovakian Soccer team, which defeated Northern District in a stirring game at Hobart Park on Saturday, gave the crowd plenty to enthuse over.

own country.

The wearing of numbers is a decid- ished. ed help to-spectators, and the Czechs should be persuaded to follow, the miles too good for the locals. custom of this country.

the ball was over the goal line, though outside the posts before a local man everywhere. had touched it

northern victory, but the Czechs had other ideas. They came with a sweeping rush, and scored a lucky goal. Then they swept the Northerners of They took the lead with a wonderfully executed goal, and kept it, designed the north a lesson took gave the north gave the no

feating the North.

They finished, as they had started, full of dash, and near play, 1007 TC.

feating the North.

They finished, as they had started. The locals had a few weaknesses. The locals had a few weaknesses. The locals had a few weaknesses. Cameron had a decidedly off-day, and so luck was with them. Their first goal appeared well offside. When pline sent well forward Knizek was ahead of everyone. He appeared to know that and hesitated. When the whistle did not so Knizek ran ahead. He crossed to back Masata, who heter defonding or attacking the westy man was in it. He got one of the proper inside left position. The sent well forward Knizek was a fallure. The star man was frank Coolahan. Westy man was in it. He got one of the feel of the star man on the field. His pass got another. He stopped a few, and on Saturday was the best man on the field. Balley, the Adamstown half, was also good. He never tires, and he bobbed up and down in very persistent, and fashion.

which should have been with the visitious they deserved their success, and the cheers of the crowd proved that the North did not begrudge, the Czechs their success. When a team and itself two goals down, and devending, it is ap; to fall back. Not so the Czechs.

A good attack means a good defence, and the visitors were ever ready to make their sudden bursts.

Smart Rushes

fence, and the visitors were ever ready to make their sudden bursts.

Smart Rushes

It was not their (ault if the Northern defence, or the referee, made servors. They got the goals. The third goal was the result of a click fush. A few passes, and then the met. The fourth came with another rush but this time it was a one-man rush by Knizek. He found the nothern defence far up the field, and cleared away, with Harris and Beddow in pursuit.

Knizek kept the ball under control, and wound up a thrilling run by putnern by got the grant of the findustrial position must be considered in relation to gate charges.

To argust into the other man is to blame for a 2s charge will not remide the control and the tharge should for future games, be reduced to that.

The industrial position must be considered in relation to gate charges.

Too-high charges do not necessarily mean big gote reacipts.

The visitors declined to wear num-ting the ball neatly over Jordan's head bers, because it is not done in their into the goal. It was a brilliant effort own country. brilliantly executed, and brilliantly fin-

In .midfield play the visitors , were They indulged in some very neat passing The game was a thriller from start bouts, and placed the ball with clockto finish. The opening rush of the work precision. They could take a Czechs was a pretty movement, and bump or sive one. Pinc at centre half was the most noticed player. He was

Seibl, the goal-keeper, is a big chap When, in the second half, the North He takes risks, but is a good goalled by three to one, few of the spectikeeper, and made himself very populators anticipated anything, but a lar. His facial expressions when he

Cessnock Match The Czecho-Slovakians will play at Cessnock on Wednesday. They will neet the specially selected South Mart-

The same is arousing great interest on the coalgelds, and should be a thriller.

LESSONS IN EVERYTHING

Discussing the seccer match between the Northern District and the Czechs, 'Yorky' writes:

The Czechs certainly taught our players a few lessons in everything but do our players take notice of the skilful displays of visitors from over-

The Canadians, Chinese, Englishmen and now the Czechs gave us exhibitions of combination and team work, but some of our teams stick to the old "kick and rush" method, which will never make any headway in soccer.

in soccer.

I was surprised at the way the Czechs adapted themselves to the wet conditions, which I thought would have favored the local men. They are clever at hall control, passing movements, keeping the ball low; there is no dallying with a free kick, or a throw-in; they head only when necessary, and did not head a ball if it could be controlled on the ground, and never kicked at high balls.

... COOL DEFENDERS

They also step forward to meet a bouncing ball, vary their movements from the liter off, working the ball through from toe to toe, and it was noticeable how cool they were, definding their own port. Once I netter a full-back, who, instead of bashing his foot at the ball, just tapped it infront to a "half" unmarked. Their centre-half was an object lesson to all our players. Newcastle (or Northern) players' faults were very noticeable. Of course, they didn't get much of the ball to do much good.

We never saw the ball kicked high

We never saw the ball kicked high towards the Newcastle goal, and the Czech forwards rushing in, wonder-ing where the ball was going to drop.

Did Newcastle gain much by the as ke well-start to the best defence. They certainly stopped the Czecha' advances, and perhaps prevented a store—also giving the "ref." more worry through doubtful off-sides.

ROUGH ON REFEREE

When the free-kick was taken, it was either booted in the air or badly pieced. I don't think the of-side tuctics were much help.

I notice the poor referee gets a rough time in these games. In the Chinese match Newcastle had a soft thing on, and the majority of the crowd barracked for the Chinese, and abused the referee if he missel any fouls or free-kicks that the Chinese should have had. Again, on Saturday, Newcastle were up against something superior, and the referee was abused again, because he gave decisions, against Newcastle, which the crowd thought were wrong.

1928 Season.

President.A.A.Stirling Secretary.P.J.Shepperd Treasurer.W.J.Stevens

THIS WAS THE YEAR OF THE BIG BREAKAWAY. Things had been simmering for the last couple of years and at the end of the 1927 season, many meetings (some legal, some illegal) were held. This resulted in many teams and clubs walking away from the Association at the beginning of 1928. (To avoid any insinuations and for easier understanding, the old Association will be termed "LOYALISTS" from now on.)

Seven teams entered the senior Loyalist competition. They were Adamstown Rosebud, Cardiff, Holmesville, Hamilton, West Wallsend Bluebells, Wallsend Royals, and New Lambton.

1928 Blis Cup	ALTOWN	Cardiff	Holmesville	New Lambton	Wallsend Royals	West Walisend	Points
Adamstown	x	9-1, 2-0	5-2, 4-0	3-0, 3-1	10-0, 4-1	6-2, 2-4	18
Cardiff	1-9, 0-2	x	3-1, 1-3	0-3, 1-3	5-2, C-4	0-1, 3-4	4
Holmesville	2-5, 0-4	1-3, 3-1	x	2-2, 6-1	2-0, 0-1	0-1, 1-5	7
New Lambton	0-3, 1-3	3-0, 3-1	2-2, 1-6	×	3-3, 4-1	0-1, 4-6	8
Wallsend Royals	0-10, 1-4	2-5, 4-0	0-2, 1-0	3-3, 1-4	х	1-6, 0-4	5
West Wallsend	2-6, 4-2	1-0, 4-3	1-0, 5-1	1-0, 6-4	6-1, 4-0	x	18

	the first Sen	ni Final	3	v	Holmesville	2
	Second Semi Lambton	Final	3	v	West Wallsend	0
New	Lambton	Final	1	v	Adamstown	0

The State Final at Hobart Park New Lambton 1/10/1928 2 v Balgownie New Lambton F. Smith P. Jordan P. Hunter R. Scott R. Ward D. Morgan R. Bowman J. Allen W. Johnston E.Spruce N. Swan J. Robertson J.Murphy(1) H. Coates Jack"Dingie"0'Brien(1) D. Ward Judy Masters(1) Bill "Podge "Maunder (1) J. Scarlett W.Blair S. Ward. H. Dent Referee C. Wales

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1928 Season
Replay State Loyalist Final
                       3 v New Lambton
Balgownie
                            P. Jordan
  Jardine
J.Parker
                             R. Scott
                            D. Morgan
R. Ward
                            J.Allen
  Hazleton
                            E.Spruce
N. Swan
                            J. Robertson
W. Johnston
                          . H. Coates
J. Murphy
                            Jack"Dingie"O'Brien
L.Parker (1)
Judy Masters(1)
                          Bill"Podge"Maunder
                           W.Blair
  James
                              Leddon.
  Chilvers(1)
            Referee C. Wales.
Southern League Loyalists
Metropolitan Semi Final
                       7 v Auburn
                                             1
Pyrmont
            Redfern Oval 4/9/1928
  Verity
                           Callaghan
  Sym
                           Bainbridge
  Richards
                           Stevens
  Humphries
                           Cole
  Cohen
                           C.McKay
  O'Toole
                           Hill
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                           Hutchinson(1)
  Turner(2)
                           Hilder
J.Callaghan(2)
                           A.McKay
  Booth(1)
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  Doig
                           D.McKay
              Referee G.McLeay.
Semi Final
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J.Parker
                            McLaren
Ward
                            Helerick
W. Johnston
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                            Reid
N. Swan
                            Dibbs
J. Murphy
                            Courtney
Judy Masters(1)
                            McLeod
L.Parker
                            Forbes
  James
                            Ruffell
McDonald
                            Holsin
Chilvers
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Referee T.Leighton

1928 Season

METROPOLITAN LOYALIST FINAL AT THE S.C.G.25/9/1928

7 v Balgownie Pyrmont

Jardine Verity Hunter Sym Robinson R. Ward W. Johnston Thomas Hazleton Cohen O'Toole J. Parker Alf Quill(1) D.Ward(1) S.Parker Callaghan(1) Turner(2) S. Ward Booth(1) Scarlett Doig(2) Murphy

Referee.C. Wales.

**PLease note that you will read more on player Alf Quill in later volumes, who would become a legend in Northern Football and Australian Football

Visit By Victoria Victoria visited NSW during the season and played one match.

This game only involved the "Loyalists" who at this stage were still trying to avert a full breakaway.

Playing in Sydney

2 v Victoria NSW

P. Jordan (New Lambton) Arch Harris (Adamstown)

S. Woods (West Wallsend)

Frank Coolahan (West Wallsend)

J. Ireland (Corrimal)

L. Bailey (Adamstown)

G.Murphy(Balgownie)

Alec Cameron (Adamstown) George Smith(Corrimal)
W.Kerr(Corrimal)

Titch Thompson(Balgownie)

1928 U/18

Adamstown.New Lambton.Summerhill.Cardiff.Holmesville West Wallsend.Dudley.Merewether Advance.Hamilton.Jesmond. Broadmeadow.Minmi.Boolaroo.Catherine Hill Bay.

U/16

Adamstown.New Lambton.Wallsend.Cardiff.West Wallsend Dudley.Merewether Advance.Hamilton.Hamilton North. Broadmeadow.Boolaroo.

Wallsend Tinslashes.

1928 saw the 5th Annual meeting of the Wallsend Amateur Football Club(Tinslashers)

Officials of the Club were President Hughie Parkes

Vice President Albert Partridge Secretary.R.Llewellyn Team Manager Jack Hirst(Senr)

Coach Jock Parkes.

Committee.

Harry Herd, Earl Saunders, B.Callum, Bill Kirkwood G.Wardle, Jack Hirst, J.Richards, Bill Parkes.

 $1928. Season \\ NSW Tours Queensland \\ NSW played two matches against the Queensland team \\ Queensland winning the first match $3x2$ \\ NSW won the second match $4x3$ \\ The NSW Touring party comprised the following$

NSW team vs Queensland - 1928

Back Row: Jireland, G.Smith, F.Smith, I. Kichards, J. Driscoil
2nd Row: H. Coates, W. Kerr, Jack O'Brien, G. Murphy, W. Byers, W. Iceton
Front Row: L. Bailey, A. Harris (Capt), S. Storey (Mgr.), A. Cameron, T. Thompson



Back Row. Chas O'Connor. A. Marshall. A. Cameron. H. Johnson F.Smith.E.M.Gregory.C.Deacon.J.Grieves.

J. Johnstone. F. Coolahan G.A.Jordan.E.S.Lukeman(Sec)T.Traynor(Capt)

W.C.Weskin.A.Harris.W.Bellis

2nd Row

Front.Boyd.

L.Cook.T.Thompson.H.Coates.S.Hinton.H.Robertson. Front.



Bellbird 1928. Back Row. W. Parkes. J. Hobson. J. Clelland. 3rd Row.J.Edmunds.M.Ross.G.Barnes.R.Pettigrew. 2nd Row.H.Knox.J.Peters.J.Hughes.J.Rutherford.P.Lennard J.Mathieson.J.Stoker.

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1928 Season
              Loyalists Tour Dutch East Indies
THe Australian squad for the tour was.
F.Smith(N.S.W)Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)
Arch Harris(Adamstown)T.Traynor(Q)Capt)S.Deacon(S.Aust)
C. OConnor( )A.Marshall(Q)S.Hinton(S.Aust)J.Greaves(Vic)
Alec Cameron(Adamstown) T. THompson(Belgownie) J. Johnson(Vic)
Harold Coates(New Lambton) H. Robertson (Concord) L. Cook (Vic)
Details of Tour.
Australia 2 v Macassar
           1' v H.S.B.
           3 v Sourabaya
           4 v Excelsior
           5 v Simarang
           3 v SIMARANG
           6 v Chinese Java X1
   11
           4 v Bandiong .
           2 v University
           4 v Malay
           2 v Duke Wellington
           6 v European X1
   **
           3 v Babdiong
   **
           4 v Chirbou
           2 v Mots Simarang
   **
           O v HSB Sourabaya
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           3 v Excelsior
           1 v Java X1
    **
            5 v Sourabaya
    **
            3 v THOR
    **
            4 v Macassar
Goalscorers on tour were
A.Cameron(19)Titch Thompson(18)Deacon(8)H.Robertson(7)
H.Coates(5)L.Cook(2)J.Greaves(1)
Upon their return The Australian team played NSW in Sydney.
                    O v New South Wales
 Australia
                              A. Verity(Pyrmont)
 F.Smith(Balgownie)
                           S.Woods(West Wallsend)
 Arch Harris(Adamstown)
                              R. Taylor (Adamstown)
 T, Traynor(Q)Capt)
                              V. Turnbull (Adamstown)
 S. Hinton(S. Aust)
                              Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend)
 A.Marshall(Q)
 Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend)L.Bailey(Adamstown)
 H.Muir(West Wallsend) A.Dunne(Adamstown)
 Alec Cameron(Adamstown) Bill Coolahan(West Wallsend)
                             W"Podge"Maunder(Cpt)1)N/Lambton
 H. Coates (New Lambton)
                             Jack O'Brien(1)New Lambton)
 J. Johnson (Vic)
                              G. Smith (Corrimal)
 H.Robertson(Concord)
                  Referee J. Parsons
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1928 Player Register

Adamstown

H.Johns.Arch Harris.W.Iceton.Claude Watt.Art Lambert L.Bailey.Harold S.Parker.Alec Cameron, R.Taylor.A.Bush J.Bush.A.Dunne.W.Morgan.Arch Connelly.Vince Turnbull R.Watt.Hanlon.T.Hodge.J.Butterworth.G.Mitchell

New Lambton

P. Jordan. D. Morgan. R. Scott. J. Allen. Cain. J. Blair. H. Coates J. Robertson. Jack "Dingie" O'Brien. H. Dent. F. Hayes. J. Bell E. Spruce. J. Knott. H. James. A. Bach. Cox. W. Leddon Bill "Podge" Maunder. J. Medlow. J. Melleys.

Cardiff

T.Simons.O.Bush.T.Williams.J.Lonsdale.T.Coates.T.McGibbon. A.Hopkins.L.Nelson.C.Whitson.J.Henderson.H.Preston. H.Walters.R.Post.Frank Garraty.C.Wilson.N.Givens. A.Roy.

Wallsend Royals
Slim Tredinnick.Harry"Moon"Wood,Rags Urwin.Eck Urwin.
Keith Urwin.Jimmy Mullins.Harry"Snow"Hetherington
Tom"Lucky"Hetherington.Jack Murnain.Bill Walker.
Bob Mullens.W.McCormack.W.Jackson.A.Lang.

West Wallsend
Jack Coutts.S.Wood.Wagga James.W.Gracie.Roy Paddock.
Frank Coolahan, Bill Coolahan.H.Muir.Dave Kaiser.
Di McLaughlin.Les Brown.C.James, Clarrie Coutts.
Ern Richardson.Daniels.

Holmesville

A.Paterson.E.O'Donnell.W.Erickson.W.Linton.J.Lennox. A.Straker.M.Cameron.A.Pilcher.W.Kell.T.Linton.J.Muir. Wal McKenzie.R.Strang.W.Humphries.A.O'Donnell.

Grades And Clubs

3rd Grade New Lambton.Summerhill, West Wallsend, West Wallsend. Dudley.Stockton.Hamilton North.Heaton.Teralba.Heaton Speers Point.Broadmeadow.Fords.

4th Grade
Adamstown.Wallsend.New Lambton.Holmesville.Cardiff
Charlestown.Redhead.Hamilton North.Mayfield.Boolaroo.
Merewether Advance.Teralba.Hamilton.Awaba.East Greta
Catherine Hill Bay.Broadmeadow.

'Westy' meant soccer

side in the twenties

Wallstood teams won the Gardiner Cup, virtually the NSW championship four final and was either top or second top team in the North.

Here is the record of year

by your success . . . Cup. 1918: Won Kerr Cup. symbolic of Northern ru-

Years but nothing to paralei what has gone before.

Neither has the ciub peen,
able to produce in the later
years so many players of
the brilliance, quality, and
in such numbers, as those
State's top centre-ball, and Bill, physe for Australia, "Weggs" James was
such such potable distinct-

won Kerr Cup.

1923: Won Gardiner Cup.
defeating Sydney, I-nail.
1924: Won Gardiner Cup.
defeating Woonson. 3-ail:
won Kerr Cup.
1925: Won Ellis
won Kerr Cup.
1925: Won Gardiner Cup.
1926: Won Gardiner Cup.
1926: Won Gardiner Cup.
defeating Adamstown. 2-1.
at Hooart Park: won Ellis
Cup: won Stevenson Cup.
That was not the start
and finish of the success
story—not by a long chaik.
Founded in 1896, the club
has a list of magnificent
storcers dawing from then to
now.

Time was — 129, 40, 50 and 60 years ago — when mention of "Westy" identified for most people in the North one of the peatest feoticall teams and records of success in soccer rather of success in soccer rather than it did the thriving. The Kerr Cup was woo in 1912-21-24-26. Only 1918-19-20-21-24-28. The came from which the side came.

From 1918 to 1926 the State Cup woo in 1918-19-20-21-24-28. The chib's team woo in 1918 to 1926 the State Cup in 1930, first propage" Maunder. Four — chib's team woo in 1918 to 1926 the State Cup in 1930, first propage" Maunder. Di Mercame Cup in 1930, first propage "Maunder. Di Mercame Cup in 1930, first propage" Maunder. Di Mercame Cup in 1930, first propage "Maunder. Di Mercam

and Sid Masters would have come to the great players "maiked" into any team. who were the blue shirt.

symbolic of Northern 80premacy.

1919: Lost Gardiner Cup
fenal, J-nil, to Balmain Fernleight won Ellis Cup; won
1920: Won Karr Cup.
1920: Won Karr Cup.
1920: Won Gardiner Cup.
defeating Granville, 3-1;
won Ellis Cup.
1921: Lost Gardiner Cup.
final, I-nil, to Granville;
won Kerr Cup.
1922: Lost Gardiner Cup.
1922: Lost Gardiner Cup.
1923: Lost Gardiner Cup.
1923: Won Gardiner Cup.
1924: Won Gardiner Cup.
1925: Lost Gardiner Cup.
1925: Lost Gardiner Cup.
1926: Walkend won the State one reads it, comes the Walkend won the State realizance that there were comes to the great piayers
1920: Won Gardiner Cup.
1920: Won Gardiner Cup.
1921: Won Gardine

The names of all mose great prayers read like a Who's Who in Somer. To propositi some, and only some, there was Clares Course, one of the North's all-time greats, a highly maided half-back and for ion: the pivot of the team : senior marches and in seven Gardiner Cup fimis.

Then there was the ever Maunder. a son of 1. C'Dougny') Maunder. who ("Dougny") Maunder, who played in the Westy team which won the Gardiner Cup in 1900 and 1901. "Podge" Maunder was a society genius in the 1920's. He came from the Woodpeckers, the West Wallisend fution side of great renown, into the senior side when 18. He played for and mp. 18. He played for and mp-



tained Australia many time

Won.

The thib was firm known is the West Waissend Bitter in Richardson. C. has done no more than is the West Waissend Bitter ("Wassa") Tames, D. Kaiter in the surface when it was farbinoable to the a dold Masters would have come to the most planet.

Representative Appearances.

From 1884-1928

Bobby Austin(Weston) Goalkeeper)

1920 NSW V Queensland

1920 NSW v Queensland

1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown

1921 NSW V Queensland

1921 NSW v Queensland

1921 Newcastle v Queensland

1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Queensland(Capt)

1922 Newcastle v Queensland(Capt)

1923 Australia v New Zealand(3rd Test)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Victoria

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v China(Please Read Story)

1924 Australia v Canada 4th & 5th Test

1925 Newcastle v England

1925 Northern District v England

1925 South Maitland British Football Association v England

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v Bohemia

1929 The Rest v NSW.

W. Ashton (Weston)

1909 South Maitland British Football Association v West Australia.

W.Acres(West Wallsend)

1912 NSW V Queensland

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

1913 NSW v Queensland

Jack Avis(Weston)

1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Australia

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Victoria(Capt)

1923 NSW v China(Capt)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand(Capt)

1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand

1925 South Maitland British Football Association v England.

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H.Ashcroft(Kurri Kurri)

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China

1927 South Maitland British Football Association v

Bohemia
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
Bohemia

Fred Alberts(Merewether Advance)
1915 Newcastle v Queensland
1915 NSW v Queensland

W.Brown(Cessnock) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

Lawson Bailey(Adamstown)
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v South Maitland British Football Assoc.
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 NSW v China 1923 Newcastle v China
1923 Australia v China(2nd Test)
1925 Newcastle v England
1926 NSW v Queensland
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 Newcastle v Bohemia
1928 NSW v Queensland
1928 NSW v Australia
1928 NSW v Australia
1928 NSW v Australia
1928 NSW v Queensland

Les Brown(Wallsend/West Wallsend/Cessnock) 1921 NSW v Queensland 1922 South Maitland British Football Association v Australia 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v New Zealand 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v Newcastle 1923 South Maitland British Football Association v China 1924 Australia v Canada (4th Test) 1924 Newcastle v Special Services Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Newcastle v British Fleet 1925 Australia v England (1st Test) Jes Brown

J.Bellamy(Weston) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

F.Bartley(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

H.Butcher(Mayfield) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland N.Brennan(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Barr(Minmi Rangers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

A.Baillie(Wallsend Rovers) 1898 NSW v Queensland

F.Bartley(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

J.Barry(Adamstown) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Brown(Wallsend Rovers) 1923 Newcastle v Queensland

G.Bower(Wallsend Rovers) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria



George Bower.

R.Bower(Kurri Kurri)
1923 South Maitland British Football Association v
Victoria
1923 South Maitland British Football Association v
New Zealand
1924 Newcastle v Queensland

Brennan(Cessnock)
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China

Jim Beddow(Kurri Kurri)Continued next Volume)
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
Bohemia
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
China
1927 South Maitland British Football Association v
Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 Newcastle v China

Jack Bush(Adamstown Rosebud) 1924 Newcastle v Combined Service Squadron Royal Navy

1926 NSW v Queensland 1927 Newcastle v China

Alec "Sandy "Cameron (Adamstown) Continued next Volume) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1924 Newcastle v British Fleet 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 Northern District v England 1925 Newcastle v England 1926 NSW v Queensland 1926 Newcastle v Sydney 1927 NSW v China 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Australia v China(1st & 2nd Tests) 1927 Australia v Bohemia(1st, 2nd, 3rd Tests) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Victoria 1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies 1928 Australia v NSW.

A.Charlesworth(Wallsend Rovers 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Jimmy Curran(Minmi Rangers) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Clarrie Coutts(West Wallsend Bluebells)
1918 Newcastle v Sydney
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
1924 Newcastle v British Fleet
1925 Newcastle v England
1925 Northern District v England
1926 Newcastle v Sydney
1927 Australia v China(1st,3rd Tests(Capt))
1928 NSW V Australia
1929 Newcastle v SMBFA.

G.Coulson(East Greta)
1909 South Maitland British Football Association v
West Australia

J.Campbell(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

D.Clarke(Cessnock) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

D.Cain(Minmi Rangers 1913 Newcastle v Victoria Peter Coppock(Hamilton) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1920 NSW v Queensland

Albert"Poker"Creighton(Weston)
1923 NSW v Queensland
1923 Australia v China(2nd Test)
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v Victoria
1923 NSW v Queensland(Capt)
1923 NSW v Victoria(Capt)

Tommy Coates(West Wallsend Bluebells)
1920 NSW v Queensland
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Newcastle v Special Servives Squadron Royal Navy
1924 Newcastle v Canada.

Jack Coutts(West Wallsend Bluebells) 1923 Newcastle v China 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia



Harold Coates(Adamstown Rosebuds)
1924 Newcastle v Special Services Squadron
1924 Newcastle v Queensland
1928 Australia tour. Dutch East Indies
1928 Australia v NSW
1928 NSW v Queensland

E.Creighton(Newcastle)
1890 Newcastle v Queensland

R.G.Campbell(Adamstown Rosebud) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia 1909 NSW v West Australia 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

G.Cartwright(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia R.Cartwright(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

F.Corrigan(Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

J.Cameron(Adamstown Rosebud) 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria

Frank Coolahan(West Wallsend) 1924 Newcastle v British Fleet 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 Northern District v England 1925 Australia v England(4th Test) 1925 NSW v England 1925 NSW v England 1926 NSW v Queensland 1927 NSW v China 1927 Australia v China(1st & 3rd Test) 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Australia v Bohemia(1st Test) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Victoria 1928 Australia tours Dutch East Indies 1928 Australia v NSW 1932 Newcastle v Victoria

Albert Creighton(Newcastle) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

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A. Dunne (Adamstown Rosebud) 1928 NSW v Aŭstralia

Jack Drinkwater(Aberdare) To be continued next Volume.

1923 SMBFA v Victoria

1926 NSW v Queensland

1926 NSW v Queensland 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

1927 Aŭstralia v China(3rd Test)

1927 SMBFA v China

1927 SMBFA v China

Jack Doyle (Adamstown Rosebud)

1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

1905 NSW v New Zealand

1905 NSW V New Zealand

Peter Doyle(Adamstown Rosebud)

1921 NSW v Queesland

1922 Australia tour New Zealand

1922 NSW v Queensland(Capt)

1923 Australia v New Zealand(1st, second.and 3hird Test

1923 NSW v New Zealand) Capt)

1923 NSW V Victoria

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1924 Australia v China(1st, Second, and Third

1924 NSW v Canada(4th Test)

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J. Edggton (Adamstown Rosebud. 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Bob"Brolgey"Elgey(Adamstown Rosebud) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand 1905 NSW v New Zealand 1905 NSW v New Zealand 1905 Newcastle v West Australia 1905 NSW v West Australia 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

Albert Elliott (Merewether Advance) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

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J.Farrey(Weston)
1925 SMBFA v England
1925 SMBFA v Queensland
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 SMBFA v China

David Gilchrist(Wallsend Rovers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

John Gilchrist(Wallsend Rovers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

J.George Adamstown Rosebud) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand 1909 Newcastle v West Australia 1909 NSW v West Australia

J.Gill(Mayfield) 1923 Newcastle v Queensland 1923 Newcastle v New Zealand 1923 Newcastle v Victoria

W.Gill(Mayfield) 1923 Newcastle v Queensland 1923 Newcastle v Queensland

T.Green(Kurri Kurri) 1925 NSW v England

A.Gibson(Weston) 1927 SMBFA v China

Jack Gilmour(Weston)

1915 Newcastle v Queensland

1915 Newcastle v Sydney

1922 SMBFA v Australia

1923 SMBFA v Newcastle

1923 SMBFA v China

1923 Australia v China(3rd Test(

1923 NSW v Victoria

1923 NSW v Queensland

1923 Australia v New Zealand(2nd Test)

1923 SMBFA v New Zealand

1924 SMBFA v New Zealand

1924 Australia v Canada(4th ,5th (Tests)

1924 NSW v Queensland

1924 Newcastle v Special Services SquadronRoyal Navy.

Eddie Hodge(Cessnock/Hamilton) Continued next Volume

1925 SMBFA v England

1927 SMBFA v China

1927 NSW v China

1927 Australia v China(2nd, 3rd Tests)

1927 Australia v Bohemia(2nd, 3rd Tests(

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

Frank Hay(West Wallsend Bluebells)

1922 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Australia v China(2nd Test)

1923 Newcastle v China

1923 Newcastle v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

C.Harrison(Wallsend Rovers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Harrison(Wallsend Rovers) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

Roy Harden(Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

W.Howe(Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

R.Henderson(Kurri Kurri) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland

G.Hunter(Burwood United) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

P.Hogan(Newcastle United) 1926 NSW v Queensland

T.E.Hill(Aberdare) 1927 SMBFA v China

W.Haddow(Minmi Rangers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W.Harrison(Wallsend Rovers) 1898 NSW v Queensland

J.Harden(Cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia Arch Harris (Adamstown)

1924 Newcastle v Sydney

1925 Northern Districts v England

1925 Newcastle v England

1925 Australia v England (4th Test)

1927 Australia v China(3rd Test)

1927 Newcastle v China

1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

1928 NSW v Queensland(Capt) 1928 NSW v Victoria(Capt)

1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies

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1928 Australia v NSW

Archie Jackson(Wallsend Rovers/Newcastle West) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1888 NSW v Queensland(Capt)

G.Jones(Wallsend Rovers) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland

H.James(West Wallsend Bluebells) 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

Jimmy Johnston(Wallsend) 1924 NSW v Queensland

P.Jordon(New Lambton)
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy
1927 Newcastle Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China
1928 NSW v Victoria

F.Jennings(Adamstown)
1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

W.Jennings(Adamstown) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

J.Jones(Merewether Advance) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

T.Jowett(East Greta) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

R.Jackson(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria S.Kidd(Cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

Charlie Kilpatrick(Minmi Rangers) 1888 NSW v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

C.Knudson(West Wallsend)
1915 NSW v Queensland

Arthur Lambert (Adamstown)
1922 Newcastle v Queensland
1922 Newcastle v SMBFA
1923 Newcastle v China
1923 Australia v New Zealand (2nd Test)
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v SMBFA
1924 Newcastle v SMBFA
1924 NSW v Canada
1924 Australia v Canada (6th Test)
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron
1925 Australia v England (4th Test)
1925 Newcastle v England)

Perce Lennard (Cessnock) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland 1922 SMBFA v Australia 1922 NSW v Australia 1922 NSW v Queensland 1923 Australia v New Zealand(1st,2nd,3rd Tests) 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 NSW v Victoria 1923 NSW v China 1923 Australia v China(1st, 2nd Tests) 1923 SMBFA v China 1923 CMBFA v New Zealand 1925 Australia v England(1st,2nd,3rd,4th,5th Tests) 1925 NSW v England 1925 SMBFA v England 1932 SMBFA v Queensland

**Please note.Perce Lennard playing for Australia in the First test in Brisbane against New Zealand scored Australia's first ever Home International goal

Bill Lambert(Weston) 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1920 NSW v Queensland(Capt) 1921 NSW v Queensland

F.Leece(Newcastle United) 1921 NSW v Queensland 1921 NSW v Queensland

J.Laird(Cessnock) 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 NSW v Queensland

W.M.Lambie(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1890 Newcastle v Queensland Bob Lidbury(Wallsend 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Liddle(Weston) 1925 SMBFE V England

M.Lee(Adamstown) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

R.Leckie(West Wallsend) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand Jack Mannion(Weston)
1925 SMBFA V England
1926 NSW V Queensland
1927 SMBFA vChina
1927 SMBFA v China
1927 Australia v China(3rd Test)
1927 Newcastle v Bohemia
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 SMBFA V Bohemia

Di McLaughlin(West Wallsend)
1918 Newcastle v SMBFA
1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown
1921 Newcastle v Queensland
1921 NSW v Queensland
1922 NSW v Queensland
1922 NSW v Australia
1922 NSW v SMBFA
1923 NSW v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v SMBFA
1923 NSW v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Australia v Canada(4th Test)
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Queensland

Andy McNaughton(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1924 Australia v Canada (3rd,4th Tests)

Sid Masters(Kurri Kurri) 1927 SMBFA v China

S.Miller(Wallsend) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

J.Mitchell(Minmi Rangers) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

Bill McIllroy(Wallsend) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W.Maxwell(Adamstown(1905 Newcastle v New Zealand 1909 Newcastle v West Australia H.MuirWest Wallsend)

1923 Newcastle v China

1926 NSW V Queensland

1928 Australia tour Dutch East Indies

1928 Australia v NSW

***Please note Mr Muir's record is contined in the next

Volume.

W.McCroarie(Minmi Rangers) 1888 NSW v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

J.McCroary(Weston)
1922 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 SMBFA v New Zealand
1923 Smbfa v Victoria
1925 SMBFA v England
1925 Australia v England(1st Test)

Perce Moore(Wallsend)
1924 Newcastle v Combined Services Squadron Royal Navy
1927 Newcastle v China
1927 NSW v China

H.McKissock(Granville/Aberdare)
1927 Australia v China(1st,3rd Tests)
1927 australia v Bohemia(2nd,3rd Tests)
1928 North v South
1928 North v South
(Please see Southern NSW Records before 1928)

G.Mason(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

J.Melville(Newcastle) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

W.Mathieson(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Victoria

A.McNaughton(Weston) 1909 SMBFA v West Wallsend

H.McMinimony(Wallsend) 1890 Newcastle v Queensland

J.McKay(Kurri Kurri) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia A.McNaughton(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

J.Muir(West Wallsend) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

William "Podge" Maunder (West Wallsend)

1921 Newcastle v Queensland

1921 NSW v Queensland

1922 NSW v Queensland

1922 Australia tour New Zealand

1922 Australia v NSW

1922 Newcastle v SMBFA 1923 Australia vNew Zealand(1st,2nd,3rd Tests)

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1923 NSW v Victoria

1923 NSW V Victoria

1923 NSW v New Zealand

1923 NSW v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v China

1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

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1924 Newcastle v Canada

1924 Newcastle Queensland

1924 Australia v Canada(3rd,4th,5th Tests)

1925 Australia v England (5th Test)

1928 NSW v Australia(Capt)

**Would you please note that William"Podge "Maunder of West Wallsend Bluebells playing for Australia in the First test in New Zealand scored Australia's very first "INTERNATIONAL GOAL" in 1923.

Henry"Hen"Maunder(West Wallsend

1922 NSW v Queensland

1923 Newcastle v China

1923 NSW v Victoria

1923 Australia v New Zealand

1923 Newcastle v SMBFA

1923 Newcastle v Victoria

1924 Australia v Canada(4th Test)

1924 Newcastle v Canada

1924 NSW v Queensland

1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy

1924 Newcastle v Queensland

1925 Newcastle v England(Capt)

1925 Northern District v England(Capt)



Roy McNaughton(Cessnock) 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Newcastle 1923 SMBFA v China 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Australia v Canada(3rd,4th Tests) 1924 SMBFA v Canada 1925 Australia v England(1st,2nd,3rd,4th,5th Tests) 1925 NSW v England Aug d'Saughte 1925 NSW v England 1925 Newcastle v England 1925 SMBFA v England 1926 Newcastle v Sydney 1927 SMBFA v Bohemia 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1927 Australia v Bohemia(1st Test) 1927 Newcastle v China

Bondi Neal(Kurri Kurri) 1909 SMBFA v West Australia

Tommy Oliver(Weston) Im Olives 1922 SMBFA v Australia 1923 NSW v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Victoria 1923 NSW v Queensland 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFAv New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v New Zealand 1923 SMBFA v Newcastle 1923 Newcastle v Victoria 1923 SMBFA v China 1923 Australia v China (1st,2nd Test) 1924 SMBFA v Canada 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1924 Australia v Canada(1st, 3rd, 4th, 6th Tests) 1924 NSW v Canada

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Jimmy Orr(Cessnock) 1924 Australia v Canada(5th Test)

Ernie Owen(Wallsend)
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Australia v New Zealand(3rd Test)
1923 NSW v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Australia v Canada(3rd,4th Tests)
1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy
1924 Newcastle v Canada
1924 Newcastle v Queensland
1925 Australia v England(1st Test)
1927 Australia v China(2nd Test)

Jack"Dingy"O'Brien(Wallsend/New Lambton 1927 Newcastle v China 1927 Australia v China (3rd Test) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia 1928 NSW v Queensland 1928 NSW v Australia (Continued next volume Dutchy Phillips(West Wallsend) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

R.Pollock(Adamstown) 1920 NSW v Queensland 1920 NSW v Queensland

H.Pringle(Kurri Kurri/Wallsend) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

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Roy Paddock(Holmesville) 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

J.Pryde(Merewether Advance) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

E.Price(Adamstown) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia 1909 NSW v West Australia

A.Phillips(Kurri Kurri) 1923 NSW v Victoria 1924 Newcastle v Canada 1924 Newcastle v Queensland



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Charlie Pickerskill(Merewether Advance 1915 Newcastle v Queensland D.Russell(Adamstown) 1909 Newcastle v West Australia

Danny Rees(Wallsend) — 1923 NSW v Queensland 1923 NSW v Queensland 1923 NSW v Queensland



G.Rowe(Cessnock)
1924 Australia v Canada(4th Test)
1924 Newcastle v Queensland





Jockey Stevenson(Hamilton Athletic) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

Dave Smart(Burwood United) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria 1888 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Symes(Wallsend) 1898 NSW v Queensland

J.Stewart(West Wallsend) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

J.Stoker(Weston) 1913 NSW v Victoria

R.Sneddon(West Wallsend) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland

J.Seddon(Weston) 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown

J.Strange(Cessnock) 1922 Newcastle v Queensland

Ern See(Wallsend) 1922 NSW v Queensland

W.Stewart(Adamstown) 1924 Newcastle v Canada

Tommy Shakespeare(Weston) 1927 SMBFA v China 1939 Northern District v Palestine

Tommy Sinclair(West Wallsend)
1918 Newcastle v Sydney
1920 NSW v Queensland
1921 NSW V Queensland
1921 Newcastle v Queensland
1922 NSW V Australia
1922 Newcastle v Queensland
1922 NSW v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v Canada

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Jack Taylor(Cessnock)

1927 Newcastle v China(Capt)

1927 Newcastle v Bohemia(Capt)

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

1933 Australia v New Zealand

1933 Australia Tour New Zealand

Vince Turnbull(Adamstown) 1928 NSW v Australia

W.Thomas(Mayfield) 1921 Newcastle v Queensland

Charlie Thompson(cessnock) 1927 SMBFA v China 1927 SMBFA v China

J.Thorpe(Merewether Advance) 1912 Newcastle v Tasmania 1915 Newcastle v Queensland 1915 NSW v Queensland

Jimmy Thompson(Cessnock)
1912 NSW v Queensland
1912 NSW v Tasmania
1913 Newcastle v Queensland
1913 NSW v Queensland(Capt)
1914 NSW v Queensland
1914 NSW v Queensland

1915 Newcastle v Queensland

Rags Urwin(Wallsend)
1921 Newcastle v Queensland
1922 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v New Zealand
1923 Newcastle v Victoria
1923 Newcastle v China
1924 Newcastle v Canada

Keith Urwin(Wallsend)
1921 NSW v Queensland
1921 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 Newcastle v Queensland
1923 NSW V New Zealand

W.Victor(Weston)
1927 SMBFA V China
1929 SMBFA v NSW
1932 SMBFA v Queensland
1932 SMBFA v Tasmania

John Winning (Minmi Rangers) 1888 Newcastle v Victoria

David Ellis Williams (Minmi Rangers

1912 Newcastle v Tasmania

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

1913 NSW v Queensland

1913 Newcastle v Victoria

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S.Woods(West Wallsend)

1928 NSW v Victoria

1928 NSW v Australia

1932 Newcastle v Victoria

C.Williams(Cessnock)

1924 Australia v Canada 4th & 5th Tests)

1925 SMBFA v England

F. Williams (West Wallsend)

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

1913 Newcastle v Queensland

G.Williams(Cessnock)

1923 SMBFA V New Zealand

1925 SMBFA v England(Capt)

E.Williams(Cessnock)

1922 Newcastle v Queensland

1922 Newcastle v Queensland

1923 SMBFA v Victoria

1923 Australia v China

1924 NSW v Queensland

E.Williams(Weston)

1927 SMBFA v Bohemia

Jimmy"Dummy"Williams(Weston) 1927 SMBFA v China

1927 SMBFA v China

1936 The Rest v Australia

J.H. Wishart (Wallsend) 1904 Australia Tour New Zealand J.Watts(Adamstown) 1905 Newcastle v New Zealand

Fred Watson(Merewether Advance) 1913 Newcastle v Queensland 1920 Newcastle v HMS Renown 1920 NSW v Queensland

Arthur Walker(Wallsend) 1924 Newcastle v Special Service Squadron Royal Navy 1927 Newcastle v Bohemia

Weir(Aberdare) 1927 1927 SMBFA v China

W.Wells(Kurri Kurri) 1921 Newcastle v queensland

T.Wardrop(Cessnock) 1909 SMBFA v West Wallsend

James Jackson

James Jackson had an illustrious career spread over 18 seasons in England and Scotland and was the first home grown star player to be exported to the professional world of European football.

A strong and stocky full back, he won a Scottish Cup medal with Rangers and played in the first ever First Division seasons for both Newcastle United and Arsenal.

He was born in Cambuslang, Scotland in 1875 and arrived in Australia at the age of two.

Jackson signed for Glasgow Rangers and was part of the team that finished runners-up to Celtic in 1896 and won the Scottish F.A. Cup in 1897, beating Dumbarton 5-1 in the final.

He then moved to Newcastle United where he was a regular in the line-up of the promotion winning team of 1897-98, and with the Magpies side that reached 13th position in the top flight.

His finest and most settled period was spent with Arsenal, then known as Woolwich Arsenal, from 1899 to 1905. During his six seasons, Arsenal grew from a mid-table Second Division team to a respected power in the First, winning promotion in 1903-04. Jackson was made captain of the side and was well known for his sports outfitters shop outside Arsenal's Manor Ground in Plumstead..

Jackson had a short spell as player-manager of another promotion winning team as Leyton moved from the Southern League to the Second Division. After spending the following season at West Ham, he returned to Glasgow Rangers. In 1911 he went to Greenock Morton, after which he retired to become a blacksmith.

His son James was also a player and became captain of Liverpool.

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